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'DON'T SEND THE KIDS'



FRANK AROK

AROK'S ENGLISH HEADACHE

by John Field

SOCCEROO caretaker-coach Frank Arok has one major fear about the three-match series against England next month.

"I hope England don't send a team of youngsters on the fringe of the national side," Arok told ASW.

He went on: "That sort of team would present an enormous threat to Australia."

"I would much rather put our side in against experienced internationals ... even household names like Keegan, Francis and Shilton."

"Players like that might be tempted to treat the

series as a holiday ... after all they've seen it all and done it all before."

"But with a squad of young lions it would be a completely different ball game."

"Players who have not quite made it in the full national squad would bust their guts to do well against Australia."

"They would treat Australia as a stepping stone to future international glory."

"In other words, a young

team would have far greater incentive to run and fight for 90 minutes. This would be terribly difficult for the Socceroos to handle," said Arok.

The type of players Arok has in mind include Watford's Luther Blissett, Remi Moses and Gary Bailey (Manchester United), Gary Shaw (Villa) and Tommy Caton of Manchester City.

No matter what names are in the English squad,

Frank Arok is convinced the series will be taken very seriously by Bobby Robson's players.

"They have three 'A' international matches against Australia and cannot afford to be beaten."

"England's international stocks are at a low ebb. Imagine the humiliation for them if they lose to a backward Soccer nation like Australia," concluded the Socceroo coach.



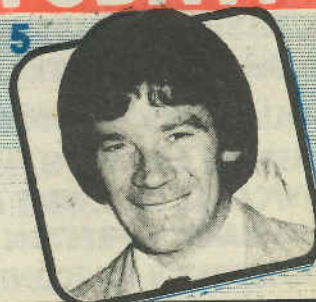
GARY BAILEY



Tommy Caton — one of the "Young Lions" Frank Arok doesn't want to meet

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EDITORIAL

In a Sydney hotel last week, we joined an interesting group of Soccer people and, naturally enough, the conversation turned to the problems facing the game.

Major topic was the future of the National Soccer League. It was assumed by all present that the NSL next season will be regional...even though no firm statement to that effect has been made by the rulers of the NSL.

Surprisingly enough, among the seven or eight people involved in the discussion, there was virtually no argument. All agreed that, in view of the high cost of air travel plus the lack of spectator interest in matches involving teams from different States, it was inevitable that the code would revert to tighter regional Leagues.

We even nominated the clubs which would compete in each region.

The ease with which this group of people solved the NSL "problem" indicated that it need no longer be treated as a problem. Some pessimists insist the headaches facing the national competition are insoluble: it is difficult to understand why.

There is only one problem and it concerns the struggle for power. In other words, if Victoria's four NSL clubs return to a competition bounded by the borders of Victoria, who will control the new competition? Similarly, if Sydney, Wollongong, Canberra and Newcastle form a Super League in New South Wales, who will run it?

It would be a tragedy if the refusal of people in the State Federations and NSL to work together caused the restructuring of the code to be delayed...or, perhaps, aborted.

Present indications are that there will be no coming together of the two separate factions. So how on earth can Australian Soccer plan for a new and better 1984?

We have always been mystified by the reluctance of the Australian Soccer Federation to become involved in this controversy. The ASF is, one assumes, the all-powerful ruling body of the sport in Australia. It is time the people at Clarence Street started to rule.

Though 1984 may seem a long way off, it is surprising how quickly it will roll around. Vital decisions about the future of the NSL cannot be pushed into the background — or dropped into the "too difficult" file — until next November or later.

Those decisions ought be made now. And if the people most concerned...those in the State Federations and the National League...cannot agree on an acceptable format, the ASF will have to step in. With firm action. With the sort of authority one would expect from administrators elected to run Soccer in this nation.

ASF president Sir Arthur George has often been accused of dictatorial leanings in the past. Some people even suggest he is too powerful for the good of the game. Yet this, surely, is the ideal time for a strong leader, like Sir Arthur, to intrude on the dreary confrontations which threaten the very future of Soccer.

He should bring both parties together. He should then put an acceptable plan for 1984 to them and DEMAND the end to squabbling.

Some administrators will lose power and they will not like it. Some constitutional traditions will be swept aside as we plan for a better future.

That may be unfortunate. But the one thing everybody should consider, above all else, is the well-being of Soccer in Australia.

Is this too much to expect?

THE WEEKEND NSL PROGRAM:

HEIDELBERG V BRISBANE LIONS

ST. GEORGE V CANBERRA ARROWS

WOLLONGONG V SYDNEY CITY

BRISBANE CITY V STH.MELBOURNE

NEWCASTLE KB V WEST ADELAIDE

LEICHHARDT V PRESTON

FOOTSCRAY V MARCONI

ADELAIDE CITY V SYDNEY OLYMPIC

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SCORING FEAST

by Peter Russell

St George ran out narrow winners 4-3 in a high scoring game against Canberra in the National Youth League.

It would have been an even bigger scoreline — and different result — if Canberra had taken all of the chances that came their way. The main offenders were Phil Redmond and Manis Lamond. Lamond, who comes from Port Moresby, has excellent skills and speed and if he is nursed along carefully by coaches George Murray and Stewart Devlin, will make a big impact on the senior scene in the not too distant future.

At Ziems Park, Corrimall, Wollongong and Sydney Slickers also had a narrow result in a high scoring game, with the final verdict going Slickers way 4-3.

In the first half the lead see-sawed. The Slickers opened their account in the 20th minute from the penalty spot through Grant Sargeant.

Wolves equalised with a header from Bill Sheridan.

Wollongong then took the lead against the run of play when Darren Nees scored from an acute angle.

Ean Rodrigues put the Slickers back on terms soon after half-time with a fine individual effort.

The Wolves should have regained the lead when they were awarded a penalty for handball, but the spot kick went high and wide.

The Slickers regained the lead with another individual effort from Rodrigues and then went further into the lead when Sargeant converted his second penalty of the game.

Wollongong pulled one back through Nees.

At Pratten Park (the home ground you have, when you don't have a home ground), the Australian Institute boys from Canberra, recovered from an early goal to completely dominate and defeat Leichhardt 2-1.

Leichhardt opened the scoring in the seventh minute when the AIS defence failed to clear a low cross and Gary Van Egmond was on hand to side foot it home.

However, this did not deter AIS and they continued to attack, and, in the process, played some excellent one-touch football.

They were rewarded in the 43rd minute when Warren Spink was on hand at the far post to tap home after Ray Junna had headed on from a corner kick.

The Institute boys continued the second half in the same vein as the first but only poor finishing prevented Leichhardt from

being on the wrong end of an embarrassing scoreline. AIS scored their winner in the 55th minute when Luciano Fabrizio controlled a high through ball and beat 'keeper Bob Parkes from 12 metres.

NEXT WEEK

WED: Leichhardt v St George 7.30pm, St George Stadium. SUN: Canberra v Wollongong 1.00pm, Bruce Stadium. Sydney City v AIS, Pratten Park. Newcastle v Leichhardt Adamstown Oval.

RESULTS

Newcastle 2 drew with Marconi 2.

St George 4 (Polias 2, Petkouski, Danaskos) beat Canberra 3 (Lamond 2, Stone).

Sydney City 4 (Sargeant 2, Rodrigues 2) beat Wollongong 3 (Nees 2, Sheridan).

AIS 2 (Spink, Fabrizio) beat Leichhardt 1 (Van Egmond).



CROATIA RETURNS TO VICTORY

Croatia felt no ill-effects of their recent overseas trip in defeating Blacktown convincingly 2 nil at King Tomislav.

Blacktown were unlucky not to hit the lead in the first minute of the match when a cross from Wheatley was headed over the bar by McLachlan.

Croatia struck the first blow when a Savor shot was deflected into his own goal by Robbie Wheatley.

Holloway, substituting for the injured Peter Hensman, set up Croatia's second goal when he brilliantly crossed the ball to Arnold who made no mistake.

It was a disappointing display from Blacktown who rarely tested Croatia's keeper, Steve Watson.

Best performers were Mark Holloway and Graham Arnold.

YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
SYDNEY CITY	5	3	1	1	16	7	10
NEWCASTLE	5	3	1	1	9	4	10
AIS	6	3	1	2	6	7	10
MARCONI	6	2	3	1	11	8	9
ST GEORGE	5	2	2	1	10	8	8
OLYMPIC	5	2	1	2	9	13	7
CANBERRA	6	2	0	4	12	15	6
WOLLONGONG	7	1	2	4	9	15	5
LEICHHARDT	5	1	1	3	5	10	4

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE

	AGGREGATE							HOME							AWAY						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A	P		
BRISBANE CITY	6	4	1	1	12	7	13	3	0	1	10	6	9	1	1	0	2	1	4		
HEIDELBERG	7	3	3	1	7	5	12	3	1	0	6	1	10	0	2	1	1	4	2		
NEWCASTLE	7	3	2	1	10	6	11	2	2	0	5	2	8	1	0	2	5	4	3		
SYDNEY OLYMPIC	7	3	2	2	10	7	11	1	1	1	5	6	4	2	1	1	5	5	7		
PRESTON	7	3	3	1	10	8	11	2	1	0	4	2	7	1	2	1	6	5	5		
WEST ADELAIDE	7	3	2	2	5	5	11	2	0	1	2	1	6	1	2	1	3	4	5		
ST. GEORGE	6	3	1	2	6	4	10	3	1	0	6	2	10	0	0	2	0	2	0		
SYDNEY CITY	6	3	1	2	9	9	10	1	1	0	3	1	4	2	0	2	6	8	6		
CANBERRA	7	2	2	3	14	9	8	2	1	0	10	2	7	0	1	3	4	7	1		
SOUTH MELBOURNE	7	2	2	3	9	9	8	1	1	1	4	2	4	1	1	2	5	7	4		
ADELAIDE CITY	7	2	2	3	7	10	8	3	1	0	6	5	7	0	1	2	1	5	1		
WOLLONGONG	7	1	4	2	9	10	7	0	3	1	5	6	3	1	1	1	4	4	4		
LEICHHARDT	6	2	2	2	4	5	7	2	1	0	1	2	7	0	1	2	1	4	1		
MARCONI	7	2	1	4	7	9	7	1	1	1	3	3	4	1	0	3	4	5	3		
BRISBANE LIONS	7	2	1	4	9	12	7	2	0	1	7	2	6	0	1	3	2	10	1		
FOOTSCRAY	7	1	1	5	4	19	4	1	0	3	3	12	3	0	1	2	1	7	1		

*Yesterday's Sydney City v St George match not included

REFEREES LINK WITH FUJI FILMS

Hanimex, the distributors of Fuji Films, have renewed their sponsorship of the Gladesville Hornsby Soccer Referees Association for another year.

Andy Madden, head of Fuji Films in Australia and a former soccer player in England, said that he was pleased to be involved with the G-HSRA once again.

The first year's sponsorship was part of Fuji's worldwide involvement with soccer as a major sponsor of the 1982 World Cup.

Referees' president Jim Smith said that this year's deal will mean his organisation will receive valuable video and photographic equipment that will allow them to train referees by

recording matches and re-playing them at training seminars.

The Association has 150 referees, some of whom are also involved in matches under the control of the Australian Affiliated Soccer Referees Federation NSW Division.

This means more than ever that referees must be given refresher and training courses as well as field tests.

Mr Smith added that the Association's burden has been lightened because of Fuji's assistance.

SETBACK FOR ARDILES

Tottenham's brilliant Argentinian Ossie Ardiles has been injured once again — just as he was getting ready to return to first team duty.

During the Spurs v Birmingham City reserve team game, Ardiles had to be carried off with a leg injury which could prove serious.

Nothing has gone right for the midfield wizard this season. He started the season with Paris St Germain but was not happy in France and was transferred back to Spurs.

In February his leg was broken in a match against Manchester City.

Now comes this latest blow at a time when the Argentinian was looking forward to re-establishing his position in the first team.

A TOUCH OF NED KELLY!

It did not take long for new NSW Mid State Soccer League club Mudgee to come up with a suitable playing name.

The Mudgee Bushrangers entered the league in this, its second year. Other clubs new to first division are Parkes Leagues Club and Wellington.

That spreads the league's boundaries east to Mudgee and west to Parkes. There are now nine first division and seven second division teams.

Inaugural Mid State champions Dubbo South Wanderers will again be among the top contenders, along with last year's beaten grand finalists Orange Waratahs.

In Orange, the local clubs CYMS, Email, Bloomfield and Waratahs have had to rearrange training schedules due to a grounds shortage brought about by the drought.

With promotion of the competition in mind Mid State Soccer League officials allocated Parkes a home match in the first round.

Competition chairman Ab Cantrill sees 1983 as a season of consolidation after a successful first year.

Highlights of the first season included a grand final crowd of about 2,000 people in Dubbo.

Mid State Television 689 covered the grand final with South Wanderers and Waratahs turning on an exciting finish to the season.

The competition, although receiving wide media coverage, is still looking for a sponsor and also to attract Bathurst and Lithgow clubs into the League.

LONG ROAD BACK FOR MOULIS

by Johnny Warren

You don't need a computer to work out the number of players in any football code who come back from a cruciate ligament operation — you can count them on one hand.

One player trying to disprove that theory at the moment is Sydney Olympians former youth international Danny Moulis.

The 22-year-old attacking full-back is now in his fifteenth month out of the game and indications are that if Danny is to come back at all, it will be another three to six months before he'll be in a position to even attempt it.

It will not be for the want of trying — whether Danny succeeds in his comeback or becomes just another "cruciate ends career" statistic.

Since having the plaster removed from his leg last November, Danny's entire life style has been based around the rehabilitation of his right leg back to "playing strength".

Daily swimming, jogging and gymnasium work, a one hour weight programme each night and daily exercises at the Australian Institute of Sport under the supervision of his friend Dr Peter Fricker sees Danny ready to tackle the Cybex machine, famous for its strengthening of leg muscles.

Then it will be more complicated running exercises involving twists and turns and a gradual reintroduction to actually kicking the ball before he can even contemplate a return to the playing field.

It all turned sour for Danny in the first round of



DANNY MOULIS IN ACTION

the 1982 championship against Newcastle KB in Newcastle.

His right knee gave way

and post-match medical advice saw him undergo exploratory surgery during the Easter of last year.

A knee reconstruction operation last August required him to be in plaster for eight weeks and on crutches for three months.

And then came the back-breaking, character testing rehabilitation period which he is still going through.

Prior to his injury, Danny enjoyed a dream run to the start of his Soccer career.

A first teamer with the inaugural Canberra City as a 16-year-old, he gave the team from the national capital, along with his good mates Steve Hogg and Mike Milovanovic, the highest representation of any PSL club in our very first Young Soccerroo team under Rudi Gutendorf.

A trip to North America with the Australian Schoolboys team in 1978, qualification games in Paraguay with the 1979 Young Soccerroos and an Oceania Tournament in New Caledonia with the under-23 Soccerroos justifiably entitled Danny to be in the running for the full Soccerroo squad.

When he left Canberra City at the end of the 1980 season he was the club record holder for number of first team appearances — over 120.

Some consolation for Danny is that during his enforced lay off he has completed his Bachelor of Law degree at Sydney University, graduating with excellent marks.

But despite the long term benefits of a law degree it is no satisfaction to a young man determined to make it back on the pitch. Statistics say he won't make it.

But for a man of exceptional qualities such as Danny Moulis, don't be surprised if he is back in Sydney Olympians NSL team before this season is over.

JOHNSON QUILTS FOR CHURCH

By Phil Murphy

Mike Johnson caused the biggest stir in South Coast Soccer for years when he quit his job as coach of the successful Fairy Meadow team to spend more time with his children.

One of the most colourful characters in Australian Soccer, Johnson said his association with the Mormon Church has helped him realise he must give more of his time to his two sons.

He said he joined the church in February and has since come to believe his children come before Soccer.

"It was a very emotional decision to make and I almost changed my mind before talking to the players for the last time," Johnson said.

"It is strange that ever since I started coaching I have wanted to be with winners and I really believe Fairy Meadow are winners.

"The players and officials could not have been more dedicated and co-operative and they deserve to be successful."

Johnson, who is separated from his wife and waiting for a divorce, said he will quit Soccer completely.

He had a column in a National Soccer paper and also wrote for a Sutherland newspaper.

A gifted inside forward in his playing days, Johnson was with English club Fulham before coming to Australia to join South Coast United.

In 1963 he scored two goals when United won the grand final 4-0 against Apia before a crowd of 30,000 at Sydney Sports Ground.

He had coaching stints with Leichhardt and West Adelaide in the National League and has been recognised as a motivator of players, particularly talented youngsters.



MIKE JOHNSON

Johnson worked with Glenn Fontana, Ray Vlietsra and Natch Vardareff when he was coaching Wollongong United and all three went on to play in the National League.

Johnson told the Fairy Meadow players of his decision to resign after putting them through their usual tough training session.

In an emotional speech he told the players his reasons for leaving were completely personal and had nothing to do with the club.

He thanked them for their efforts and wished them the best of luck and their bid for promotion to

the State League.

The club immediately appointed former New Zealand international Bill De Graaf as caretaker coach.

De Graaf only recently joined the club after lengthy transfer negotiations with Melbourne club Ringwood.

When Johnson resigned Fairy Meadow were unbeaten in nine League and Cup games this season and were leaders of the Sydney Second Division competition.

Fairy Meadow officials have called applications for the job and they should be addressed to the secretary: 48 Balmoral St, Balgownie.

THERE'S A REVOLT IN QUEENSLAND

A bitter row between North Queensland Soccer administrators and the Queensland Soccer Federation threatens to mar the State's Centenary celebrations.

The North Queenslanders are angry with what they call "Queen Street Soccer" highlighted by the QSF's decision this year to scrap the State League competition.

Long-running feelings that the country centres have not been given a "fair go" by the QSF have prompted determined efforts to form a breakaway Soccer state in North Queensland.

Representatives of the Mackay, North Queensland and Far North Queensland Federations have been busy during the off-season preparing their case for secession.

A special steering committee has already held informal discussions with ASF president Sir Arthur George to gauge his opinion on the issue.

But on the surface it seems that the break-away moves are doomed to failure — the QSF has made it clear that it will oppose any efforts to break its territory in two.

Constitutionally, QSF approval is required before the ASF will even consider the request from North Queensland — and that possibility is remote.

QSF secretary Alan Vessey said he could understand the feelings of the northerners.

"I can appreciate how they could feel cheated by the decision to scrap the State League," said Mr Vessey.

"But that decision was one which I believe will, in the long run, benefit Queensland Soccer as a whole.

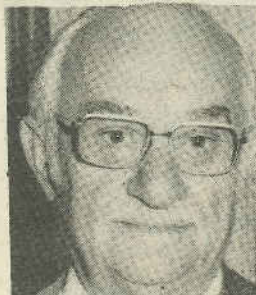
"The cost of the competition is what killed it and surely that money is better spent developing the code in each centre rather than subsidising the airlines."

According to Mr Vessey air fares increased

by 100 per cent in the State League's first three years and that was something which the QSF had not bargained for when it formed the competition in 1979.

But whatever the reasons, administrators in North Queensland remain angry that the State League was canned in spite of their opposition and in view of a long-awaited \$200,000 sponsorship announced by Fourcx this season.

Roger Green, a life member of the Mackay Federation and closely involved in the break-away move, said anti-QSF feelings were running high in the north.



Sir Arthur George

"Why wreck a perfectly viable competition at a time when all other codes are trying to foster their sports on a State-wide basis?" he asked.

"Unfortunately the decision was typical of the way Soccer in this State is run.

"The QSF wants control throughout the State but wants to channel all the benefits to the metropolitan area.

"Make no mistake, it was the Brisbane clubs which got rid of State League."

By Mike Cockerill of the Manly Daily

FIFA IS TOUGH ON USA

FIFA appears determined to completely ignore the claims of the USA, and indeed Canada, to stage the 1986 World Cup.

The international rulers of the sport in Zurich now seem certain to name Mexico as the venue for the next Cup. Following more strange decisions over the weekend.

Only about one week after agreeing to send a fact-finding mission to the two North American countries, FIFA has had an about-face — leaving the USA and Canada out in the cold once again.

The FIFA sub-committee dealing with this matter has already inspected facilities in Mexico and was expected to visit the other two nations which applied to stage this greatest event in world sport.

Despite the interest in this affair shown by such "heavyweights" as President Reagan and Henry Kissinger, the gentlemen in Zurich are not prepared to check on facilities in the USA or Canada.



Introducing some glamour to ASW. Europe's top footballers receive their World Cup Adidas awards at the famous Lido in Paris. Paulo Rossi (Italy) won the Golden Shoe and Golden Ball and Karl-Heinz Rummenigge (W. Germany) the Silver Shoe and Silver Ball.

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BRISBANE CITY GO TO TOP

by Greg Russell

AUSTRALIAN Youth squad striker Stephen Glockner scored the vital breakthrough goal that set Brisbane City on the road to victory and to the top of the National League for the first time ever at Spencer Park.

Glockner rose above the South defence to head home a Frank Pimblett cross and break the spirit of the South Melbourne team which was attempting to fight back after losing sweeper Arthur Xanthopoulos eight minutes earlier.

South Melbourne crashed after the goal and lost 3-0, although the score could have been much higher.

Xanthopoulos, who was having a solid game at the back, was sent from the field by Queensland re-

feree Dave Nugent after a sliding tackle that sent Glockner sprawling across the ground.

South Melbourne coach Rale Rasic was furious with the decision and blasted Nugent for using "jungle rules in a jungle game". He vowed South Melbourne would never go to Queensland again without a neutral referee.

The Gunners were totally dominant and created as many as seven good opportunities. Doug Brown was consistently beating

Billy Wilkinson on the left but his work was to no avail as the other forwards shot erratically or were defied by some brilliant 'keeping from City's Kim Wishart.

There was some wild tackling and three yellow cards were eventually handed out to Gary Bromfield, Xanthopoulos and Frank Liddell.

But the second half was a different story and, after a half-time blasting from coach Jim Hermiston, City came out fighting and showed the form that had got them so high on the table.

Bobby Hamilton put the result beyond doubt in the 76th minute. Williamson took the ball to the byline and cut it back beautifully. Glockner raced forward to

meet it, then sold two defenders with a delightful dummy that left Hamilton with time to stop the ball and slot it into the far corner.

Three minutes from time, Williamson was lucky to survive yet another offside appeal and with half the South Melbourne defence still complaining on the halfway line, five City players ran into the penalty box and queued up for Williamson's cross.

Williamson looked for Glockner but again he left it in off Oscar Crino's arm.

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart, Perry, Liddell, Tokes, Wilkinson, Hughes, Pimblett, Hamilton, Bromfield (Cairney 83), Glockner, Williamson.

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Laumets, Russell, Xanthopoulos, Blair, Davidson, Yzendoom, Murphy, Crino, Wooddin, Brown, Egan.

REFEREE: Dave Nugent.

SAINTS MAKE IT HARD

By Tom Anderson



Ian Gibson (Canberra) is pursued by St George's Robbie O'Shea.

St George made heavy work of what should have been a light load to down Canberra Arrows 2 - 1 at Barton Park.

When the final whistle sounded Saints were very fortunate to troop into the dressing room with three points in the bag.

The injury-depleted Arrows have only themselves and their bad finishing to blame for not

capturing at least one point from this disappointing clash.

Two agonising misses by Gary Byrne in the 64th minute and Frank Farina in the 69th minute proved to be the ACT side's undoing.

Saints started in fine style

and grabbed the lead in the 13th minute when Robbie Slater headed home a Mark Barton cross.

From this moment until the interval Saints dictated play and Canberra looked anything but happy.

Worse was to come and in the 56th minute Saints went further ahead when Dez Marton got his usual goal!

Then Arrows coach George Murray pulled a master stroke and brought on Young Soccerero Frank Farina.

This move set Arrows alight and Saints struggled to put out the fire.

After the drastic Arrow misses, Terry Byrne pulled one back in the 80th minute when he headed home a brilliant goal from a Steve Bryant free kick.

The Arrows surged forward in the remaining 10 minutes only to be defied by Saints Soccerero squad goalkeeper Terry Greedy who was in fine form.

However one black mark against Greedy was Arrows goal and this raised the question of his ability to cut out cross balls against taller and tougher England international strikers in the coming series in June.

If excuses have to be found for Saints maybe they had their minds on Monday's clash with Sydney City.

But surely the hallmark of any good team is its ability to stamp home the advantage when an opponent is down.

"Never give a mug an even break" the saying goes.

As for the Arrows - well I'm convinced they will be a force to be reckoned with once coach George Murray gets his injured players back on the field.

There certainly is some fine young talent in the club and the future looks bright.

St George: Greedy, Skeen, R.O'Shea, Radcliffe, M.O'Shea, Stone, Barton, J.O'Shea, Slater, Muskovits, Marton.

Canberra: Hoszowski, Moutsopoulos, Murray, Young, Walsh, Bryant, T.Byrne, G.Byrne, MacLaren, Perinovic (Farina 57m), Gibson.

Referee: Peter Rampley.

Crowd: 3361.

NO JOY AT PRATTEN

by Keith Gilmour

Tight defences and pathetic shooting ruled the roost at Pratten Park as Leichhardt and Preston played out a scoreless draw.

If either team deserved a winner's three points — and that could be debated at some length — it was Preston because they did at least show a little imagination in front of goal.

Leichhardt had almost nothing on the day when it came to shooting power. Terry Butler did produce one shot and John Bradley guided one which Richard Wilson had to leap to cover if it comes to the point, but that was precious little to show for 90 minutes.

Actually Leichhardt did not field a player who has scored in seven NSL and one Cup games.

If forwards must be panned then defenders are due for some praise.

Preston's Con Opasinas, Gordon Flavell, David Jones and George Todorovski cut out everything on the ground and in the air.

As a group Ian Gray, Arno Bertogna and Mark Pullen were also very effective with young Paul Carter cutting a swathe up the wing to keep the centres coming over.

Peter Tredinnick did a deal from the other wing, but all to no avail. No sooner did his curling crosses go in than the ball came out once again.

Butler's distribution let Leichhardt down early and Preston's Zarko Odzakov, handicapped to a degree by a minor injury, was still good enough to worry Leichhardt with some clever work.

Claude Lucchesi worked hard to find a way through Leichhardt's defence but he found that Bertogna was often laying back and in a position to tidy up and clear his lines.

In the 58th minute Mark Pullen got in the way of Georgie Campbell but the little fellow wriggled through only to send his shot sky high.

A little later Lucchesi broke up the wing and waited for the right moment to centre. Zoran Ilioski raced through the centre to take advantage of a first rate opportunity, only to head down for Greg Woodhouse to cover with ease.

Bert Mariani came on for Walter Valeri and Alex Livingstone for Lucchesi but the same lack of imagination applied for both sides.

Butler made a big song of a claim for handball six minutes from the end but he was turned down by referee Gary Power and play went on to the inevitable 0-0 result.

'Big Ollie' Ollerton was satisfied with the point as he now has four matches running at home in Melbourne where the team responds well to the enthusiasm of the fans.

Leichhardt's Fil Bottalico was less than impressed with the performance of his strikers and made a quick calculation that on that form they would not score for another 30 matches.

LEICHHARDT: Woodhouse, Carter, Gray, Bertogna, Pullen, Butler, Morsello, Bradley, Valeri (Mariani 75m), Tredinnick, de Ceglie.

PRESTON: Wilson, Opasinas, Flavell, Ilioski, Jones, Todorovski, Campbell, Lucchesi (Livingstone 80m), McMillan, Odzakov, Ward.

Referee: G.Power. Crowd: 2320.

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Soccerroo Steve Blair breaks clear of Gary Bronfield in the Brisbane City — Sth Melbourne game.

By Con Nicolopolous

Soccer referees must develop some medical, diagnostic skills, if they are to enforce the rule that the flow of the game must not be interrupted unless a serious injury occurs.

The rule failed the first test on Sunday when coaches Ken Morton and Simon Kistemaker jointly condemned it claiming "it endangers the lives of the players on the park".

Judging from the reaction of the crowd at Olympic Village, players are not the only individuals at risk; referees could well be at the receiving end if they persist with the application of the law.

Victorian referee Sam Zoumas, had some agonising moments during his debut in the National League at Olympic Village.

The over-zealous official encountered the wrath of Heidelberg players, coach and supporters for his decision to apply the rule in the dying minutes of the first half of the game.

The incident that sparked a massive uproar involved Heidelberg midfielder

Robert Vincent. Vincent came second best from a clash with a Lions midfielder and hit the deck in pain. His agony was prolonged by the decision of the referee not to interrupt the game — apparently because in the referees opinion the player was acting.

The incident did not curtail Heidelberg who went ahead and won the game against toothless Lions, 2-0.

Lions goalkeeper Tony Scanlan demonstrated his class in the 20th minute with a brave move which denied Heidelberg United their first scoring opportunity.

Charlie Yankos humped a high ball forward and Vincent touched it down for Derek Lea. Scanlan read the move and stepped off his line to parry the point-blank shot.

Lions centre half Alan Hunter stretched Oliver full length three minutes later with a superb header com-

SOMEBODY WILL GET HURT!



Allan Niven,

ing from his captain Alan Niven. Oliver went airborne to tuck the ball over the crossbar.

Lions were unlucky not to hit the lead after 28 minutes following some brilliant footwork by Kelso and John Stewart.

The two spearheads of Lions' attack exchanged the ball quickly and John Stewart found himself at the end of that exchange and hammered the ball on

target. Oliver sprang to his left and deflected the ball against the post.

Heidelberg were to be rewarded for their attacking initiative, half an hour into the game. Team mastermind Charlie Yankos caught Lions' defence flat-footed with a through ball which enabled Vincent to fire a shot from the area line. Agile Scanlan dived to his left and blocked the shot, but only dropping the ball in Lea's path who had no difficulty putting it in the back of the net.

Ken Morton can consider himself lucky for not being sent off, two minutes before half-time.

Heidelberg's coach saw fit to interrupt the game himself when a referee failed to allow the club doctor on the park to attend Vincent's injury.

Lions put Heidelberg under pressure in the opening quarter in the second half with their co-ordinated

moves forward. Their big man upfield, Barry Kelso, squandered opportunity upon opportunity to level the score.

Heidelberg's newly-appointed captain, Jim Campbell, put the result beyond doubt in the 67th minute.

The dynamic midfielder burst forward and placed the ball in Scanlan's left corner.

Lions fought desperately to reduce the margin but their attacks were in vain against Heidelberg's solid defence, superbly led by Charlie Yankos, Don McLeod and Ian McKie.

Both coaches brought in substitutions in their attempts to maintain the pressure. Although Juan Toro provided his forward line with some brilliant passes, Daunt did not upset Heidelberg's defence.

Heidelberg: Oliver, McKie, Spanos, Yankos, McLeod, Selemidis, Campbell, Vincent, Patterson, Lea, Valentine (Toro 69m).

Brisbane Lions: Scanlan, Marszalek, McSkimming, Hunter, Niven, Hogg, Ogden, R.Stewart, Wright (Daunt 69m), Kelso, J. Stewart.

Referee: F. Zoumas. Crowd: 10,500.



Tony Dakos (right) is the "best centre-half in Australia" according to coach Tommy Docherty. Dakos had another big game on Sunday against Adelaide City.

OLYMPIC WIN OVER ADELAIDE CITY

By Tom McKain

Sydney Olympic charged up the league table with a bruising 2-1 win over Adelaide City at Olympic Sportsfield.

Coach Tommy Docherty almost wept as he saw his players crash-tackled by Adelaide City, and twice the volatile Scot was off his bench to protest to referee Jim Rossis.

Rossis eventually booked midfielders Les Carter and Stewart Blair but it was full-back Glenn Dods who was Docherty's main target after the game.

"He should never have got away with some of his tackles," said Docherty.

"He should have been sent off."

Carter was booked for a tackle on full-back Martin Rogers while Blair got his name taken after a tackle on Jim Patikas.

The fouls apart, it was a fascinating first half with

Olympic getting their act together quicker than City in atrocious conditions — wet and slippery with the match punctuated by flashing rain.

With only 18 minutes gone, Tony Dakos gave Olympic the lead when he went up into the box and got his foot to a ball which rebounded from a Marshall Soper shot.

It was 2-0 in the 40th minute when Soper rammed home a penalty after he had been brought down when in the clear, by goalkeeper Willie McNally.

Then it was the turn of the home fans to boo the referee.

Just when it appeared as if City were about to collapse, Soccerroo Youth squad candidate Joe Mullen worked one of his mira-

cle goals.

He charged into the box on the left after being sent away by Carter, struck the ball low and when it rebounded off keeper Gary Meier, crashed it into the top right hand corner.

That was in the 44th minute and the fans got set for a thriller in the second period.

They got their moneysworth as City charged into an attack with Charlie Villani, Carter, Mullen and Sergio Melta and Steve Maxwell doing everything but score.

Whether it was the bruising they took in the first half or not, Olympic appeared to lose their momentum.

Blair, signed on the Friday night from West Adelaide whom he joined at the beginning of the year

from Azzurri, played well in midfield while Melta took up his usual attacking role, but it was Patikas, Peter Katholos and Steve Patterson who looked the steadier trio across the park.

Rick Herbert and Tony Dakos played the central defenders' roles like icicles, but at times found central striker Maxwell more than a handful.

Adelaide City: McNally, Cole (Wright 79m), Nyskohus, Banfield, Mullen, Melta, Dods, Blair, Carter, Maxwell, Villani.

Olympic: Meier, Rogers, Jennings, Herbert, Dakos, Koussas, Patikas, Soper, Katholos, Phillips, Patterson.

Referee: J. Rossis.

SYDNEY CITY — ST GEORGE

By John Economos

In a very tight struggle, Sydney City and St George fought out a scoreless draw at Marks Field in their deferred Round six NSL match.

The first half slightly favoured Sydney City as they had more possession and more chances to hit the target than St George in fact right-midfielder Gerardo Gomez, scored in the 6th minute what appeared a legitimate goal, but referee Arthur Owens disallowed it for a foul on the St George goalkeeper Terry Greedy.

Some scrappy passing from both teams was blamed on fatigue as both teams played the day before.

Little Paul Kay was the pick of the first half as he constantly tried to open the game by some great switch play throughout the first 45 minute session.

After a scoreless first half Sydney City's powerful left-back, Ian Bruce raided down the left flank and from 28 metres out let fly a vicious cracking left-footed drive that crashed on to the St George cross bar.

In the 50th minute from a free kick, Joe Watson swung in a great ball to find Gomez in the box to take a strong header well on target, but Greedy diving across to his left, touched the ball around the corner for a magnificent save.

Easily the best player on the pitch was the Australian Soccerroo captain John Kosmina who repeatedly tried to open up play with great defence-splitting balls, while for St George Robbie O'Shea was outstanding with great cover work as well as contributing to attack.

ST GEORGE: Greedy; Skeen, M. O'Shea, Ratcliffe, R. O'Shea; Barton, Stone, J. O'Shea; Slater, Muskovits, Marton.

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke; Cant, Robertson, O'Connor, Bruce; Watson, Kay, Barnes, Gomez; Kosmina, Boden (Souness 76m).

Referee: A. Owens.
Crowd: 2984.

ANGRY WILLIE WALLACE

By Phil Murphy

Referee, Ken Small, came under fire from Wollongong City's coach, Willie Wallace, after his team went down 2-3 to Sydney City in an action-packed game at Ziem's Park.

The match started in sensational style when Phil O'Connor put the home side ahead after just 15 seconds and it finished the same way.

Wollongong City striker, Roy Cotton, should have made it 3-3 in injury time when the home team were awarded a penalty, but he made a real mess of his shot.

Cotton shocked the Wollongong supporters when he directed the ball weakly towards the right post, giving goalkeeper, Todd Clarke plenty of time to get across and make the save.

Wallace was most critical of Small's handling of the game, but admitted a team that misses penalties cannot expect to get important points.

"Small gave a lot to Sydney City. Certain Sydney City players got away with murder compared to what our three players were booked for," Wallace said.

Steve Pollard, Jeff Ainsworth and goalkeeper, Jimmy Preston, were all given yellow cards and one Sydney City player who was particularly lucky not to join them, was Soccerroo captain, John Kosmina.

Paul Kay made a successful return to the South Coast, directing play in the midfield for the visitors before fading out of the action in the last 15 minutes.

Kay started off on the wrong foot when he lost the ball to O'Connor straight from the kick-off and the Wollongong striker placed it past Clarke to give the home team an absolute dream start.

"Ref Gave Them a Lot".



Willie Wallace

With Kay dominating the midfield, it seemed only a matter of time before Sydney City scored and it came after 32 minutes when Kosmina headed in a cross from Joe Watson.

Four minutes after the interval, Kay put the Sydney team ahead, but Wollongong equalised with 12 minutes to go when O'Connor placed a delicate chip over Clarke's head into the net.

With only five minutes left, Chris Dunleavy pulled down Ken Boden in the box and Kosmina made no mistake from the penalty spot.

Cotton then had his chance to salvage a point for the home team, but over the full 90 minutes, justice appeared to have been done.

Wollongong City: Preston, Willis, Dunleavy, Vlietstra, Pollard, McBreen (Gaffney 78 m), Ainsworth, Kerr, Fleming, Cotton, O'Connor.

Sydney City: Clarke, Cant, O'Connor, Robertson, Bruce, Kay, Watson, Gomez, Souness (Barnes 78th m), Kosmina, Boden.

Referee: K. Small.

Crowd: 3,482.

A TOUCH OF CLASS

By Myles Hay

It took 70 long minutes of dour play before a spark of inventive genius by the gifted David Lowe ignited the Newcastle-West game into a blaze of roaring activity.

Lowe, held in a vice-like grip by robust West Adelaide defender Robbie Dunn, ghosted out to the right flank and gathered a ball put through by Newcastle skipper Craig Mason.

Spying a rare lack of coverage in the goal area he switched the ball across for midfielder Brett Cowburn to hammer a fierce drive wide of goalkeeper Gary Sproul.

This goal was a forerunner of some lively Newcastle attacking play which had looked hap-

azard and ill-planned for much of the game in the face of West Adelaide's defensive depth.

Six minutes later Lowe was again seen at his quick-thinking best when he exploited a weakness on the right and transferred to young Simon Brandt: the net bulged again to crush any hopes West Adelaide had of saving the game.

Brandt, one of Newcastle's Youth League starlets, replaced Grant Lee in the 73rd minute and was only on the field for a brief spell before the chance came his way.

Newcastle, without the suspended Joe Senkalski and Michael Boogaard, were forced to field Bob Mountford who was suffering from a groin injury.

Though the experienced striker made a hash of two first

half chances his rugged tactics made certain that the West Adelaide defenders and the goal keeper Sproul were forced to keep a watchful eye on him.

The game started at a furious pace with former Newcastle favourite Graham Heys quickly in action with two well-flighted crosses which caused severe panic in the Newcastle backline.

But the South Australian bid for an early goal fizzled out as quickly as it began and there seemed little cohesion between the heavily accentuated defence and the midfield with the tendency to pump long balls down field.

The distribution by Newcastle's midfielders also left much to be desired with passes from Lee and Mason consistently going straight to the opposition.

However skipper Mason

made up for his lack of foresight in this department with his immense spirit.

His tackling earned him an early yellow card from local referee Jim Reeves while two Adelaide players, Phil Amey and Steve Atsalas were also cautioned later in the game.

The half-time entertainment by four sets of marching girls produced much niftier footwork than had been displayed by either side in the first half.

Rival central defenders Gary Watson and Robbie Dunn constantly cleared in unspectacular but effective fashion. Mick Brennan and Graham Honeyman broke through for shots at goal.

The main action was reserved for the final 20 minutes after Newcastle took the lead through Cowburn, deputising for Senkalski.

This reverse forced West

Adelaide coach Alan Vest to move out of his defensive curtain and seek out an equaliser and it was in then that the Newcastle attack was seen at its best.

Released from the restrictive shackles of having a gaggle of defenders in close vicinity, the sweet-moving Lowe demonstrated his sheer ability in the closing stages being well supported by his team mates who discovered a new lease of vitality when victory became a reality.

Newcastle: Gosling, Maier, Watson, Burke, Tredinnick, Mason, Lee (Brandt 73m), Cowburn, Jones, Mountford, Lowe.

West Adelaide: Sproul, McGregor, McGachey, Dunn, Amey, Brennan, Atsalas, Hiern, Heys, Wormley (Panagis 72m), Honeyman.

Referee: J. Reeves.

kovics in the 21st minute to be good value for a 2-0 lead.

Jamie Paton was Footscray's top player with Kenny Taylor and Joe Carroll doing their part. Generally I could not see any advantage in Zradko Lujic playing in the left defence in the first half and it was good to see him back in his former left wing spot after half-time.

Jamie Paton looked likely to score on the resumption but a Tony Henderson interception saw his effort go for a corner.

Footscray did look better in the earlier stages with plenty of movement and a Joe Carroll shot deserved better luck.

However it was that man Brown again in the 50th minute when he dribbled through Footscray's backline with an exciting dash, beating three defenders on the way.

He looks like being a menace in Mexico in the Youth World Cup in June and there will be others there to prove that Australian Youth has taken to Soccer.

A Henderson free kick to Jason O'Rourke was passed to Tom McCulloch the Young Soccerroo captain who made no mistake with Marconi's third goal.

Rene Licata came on for Jason O'Rourke with 17 minutes to go and proved his worth with a fine dash to give Boland no chance to save Marconi's fourth goal.

Doug Collins coach of Marconi felt that to pick out any one player who had the greater influence on the performance at Footscray would be difficult as all had done their bit. He said the younger brigade still had lots to learn and he respected their desire to get to the top.

Footscray: Boland, Stojcevski, Hazabent, Kyriakouleas, Curovic (Simic 67m), Bellic, Taylor, Carroll, Paton, McLeod, Lujic.

Marconi: James, Bozanic, Rizzotto, McCulloch, Henderson, Degney, Carbone, Sermanni, Brown, Jankovics, O'Rourke (Licata 73m).

Referee: S. Mellings.

Crowd: 2,500.

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News from Illawarra

The left foot of Fairy Meadow under 18 striker Robert Briliante is proving to be a lethal weapon.

In the first seven games of the premiership, Briliante has scored a remarkable 16 goals — half of them from the penalty spot.

Despite his age, he really hits the ball hard and with his eight penalties, opposing goalkeepers haven't been able to get a hand to his shots.

Last season the Fairy Meadow under 18's had a reasonable run of success but their two leading goal-getters could manage just nine apiece.

At his current rate, Briliante could set a record for goals in this competition.

In the 7-1 win over Revesby, he hit the back of the net four times.

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Tarrawanna have a brother and sister combination on their books since Michelle Warburton transferred from Fernhill.

One of the leading women players in Illawarra, Michelle made the move when former Australian under 23 winger Dennis Paterson took on the Tarrawanna coaching job.

Her brother, Greg is in the Tarrawanna first grade side.

Paterson has had success coaching the Tarrawanna men in recent years but is keen about his new role as it gives him more spare time than he would get involved in the premier league.

He has a strong squad of girls in training and says they will certainly get results if enthusiasm means anything.

Cringila coach Vasco Sekuloski was full of praise for his 18-year-old stopper Lupcho Toleski despite his team's 6-1 thrashing by Bulli recently.

"Forget the result I think the boy has a great future in the game," the Cringila coach said.

He said the youngster plays with the poise of a player a lot older and certainly wasn't to blame for the Bulli defeat.

The loss came just seven days after Cringila gave a very polished display to beat the strong Corrimall side 3-1.

Sekuloski is also pleased with the early season form of striker Martin Beech, formerly with Berkeley.

He feels Beech will benefit a lot from playing with Cringila, who have a number of ball players on their books.

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Phil Matias has solved his transfer problems with Fairy Meadow — he is playing Rugby League.

Fairy Meadow are reported to have put Matias on transfer at \$5,000 and the fee frightened away any interested club.

The talented utility player decided he would rather play League than spend the season on the sidelines so he signed up with the Dapto Canaries.

Like any Soccer player who switches to League, he is going well — it must have something to do with the skill they learn at the round-ball game.

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Four applicants are chasing the job as Illawarra representative coach this season.

The successful coach won't be too busy because the ISA has only one game lined up — against the ACT at Memorial Park over the Queen's Birthday weekend in June.

The Association isn't saying who is in line but if he is among the four applicants, John Bingham will be the short-priced favorite.

Once again, district players are left with little incentive to lift their game this year.

There are just no regular representative fixtures around for players to become a fixture in an Illawarra side.

Things certainly have gone from bad to worse since that successful tour of New Zealand a few years back.

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Coniston coach Robert Fryer has high hopes for newly signed striker John Gooding this season.

A Koonawarra product, Gooding was in reserve grade with Fairy Meadow last season and scored 17 goals.

He wasted no time getting a goal for his new club, finding the net after just seven minutes of the game against Shellharbour.

The previous week when Gooding was injured, Coniston started the premiership with a frustrating 1-1 draw with Fernhill after having 80 per cent of the play.

S. A. STATE LEAGUE

By Tom McKain

Birkalla, trailing leaders Croatia by a point will have a showdown on Saturday at Camden Oval.

Birks came from behind to pull off an away 1-1 draw at Campbelltown last week while Croatia were coasting to a 4-2 win at home against Elizabeth.

Campbelltown now has to visit Port who crashed 4-1 at Parra Hills and the latter go into fourth spot a point behind Birkalla and Polonia.

Azzurri last year's champions, were again held to a draw — 1-1 when they visited Beograd — and they are now struggling to retain their title with only two points from two games.

Polonia who held them the previous week shot to a 4-0 lead against West Adelaide, but collapsed in the second half and were lucky to get out 4-3 away from home.

West, last year's second division champions and the reserve outfit of the National League club, visit Elizabeth this week while Polonia get their first home game, against Beograd.

With two rounds gone, Croatia is the only team with full points.

Azzurri, Campbelltown, Polonia and Birkalla are still to be beaten but Azzurri and Campbelltown have to win.

There was a deadly twist to the Campbelltown draw last week.

Marcel Barenergt had given them the lead in the first half, then with five minutes to go Peter Amiratto, transferred by the capital town to Birkalla earlier this year, sunk the equaliser against his old club.

The West defeat could also affect the senior side in the NSL.

Striker George Konstantopoulos, signed from Azzurri, was taken off against Polonia with the score 4-0, as was George Koulinis, who has been in the NSL squad.

Both these players were in the running for the senior side following the 2-0 defeat of the Hawks in Newcastle, but it now looks as if the pair will have to wait and prove themselves in the State competition.



Action in Sunday's Brisbane City v Sth Melbourne NSL match. Ken Murphy gets clear of Frank Pimblett — but looks like collecting a kick on the thigh.

Newcastle

By Myles Hay

Last season's premiers Lake Macquarie went down again and were not an impressive sight when beaten 2-1 by Belmont Swansea at Speers Point in the Northern NSW Soccer League.

A penalty kick by Derek Bull gave Belmont Swansea the lead before David Simpson equalised.

It was a magnificent counter by Belswans forward Peter Dobbins to regain a match-winning lead just on the half-time whistle.

Dobbins carried the ball past three Lake Macquarie defenders before hammering a great shot past goalkeeper David Baldwin.

In the final 10 minutes Lakes moved Michael Boogaard into the attack and Belmont's defence looked decidedly shaky but still managed to hold its narrow one goal lead.

The continued absence of player-coach Wayne

Leary was a severe handicap for Lake Macquarie who lacked a sound pivotal player in midfield to link attacking moves.

A 3-0 margin gave Central Coast its first win of the season with struggling Maitland at Graham Park in Gosford.

Winger Peter Mamo was a constant threat to the Maitland defence and he figured in many attacks before giving Central Coast the lead just on half-time.

Further goals were scored by Dale Eggleton and Peter Hamill.

Maitland had conceded 10 goals in three matches and have yet to gain a point in their worst start for many seasons.

Two late goals by Tony

Baker and Craig Hearfield gave Tamworth City a surprise 2-2 draw against Highfield Azzurri at Whitebridge.

Goals by Warwick Alexander and Joe D'Accione put Azzurri in a comfortable position before Tamworth's last minute recovery.

RESULTS—

Belmont Swansea 2 (Bull, Dobbins) beat **Lake Macquarie 1** (Simpson); **Central Coast 3** (Mamo, Eggleton, Hamill) beat **Maitland 0**; **Highfield Azzurri 2** (Alexander, D'Accione) drew with **Tamworth City 2** (Baker and Hearfield).

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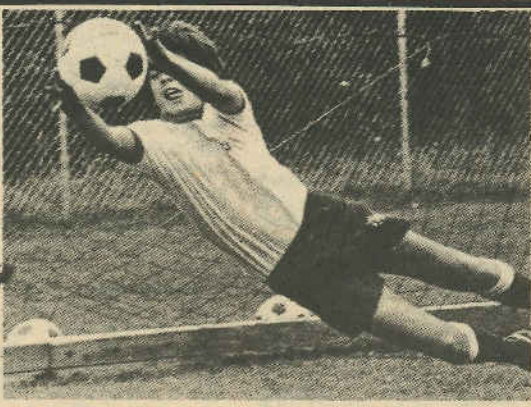
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DIVISION 1 - GRADE 1

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Melita	7	5	1	14	3	11
Blacktown	6	5	0	16	4	10
Sutherland	6	3	1	2	9	6
Avala	7	2	3	2	6	10
Inter-Monaro	7	2	2	3	11	9
Yugal	6	2	2	2	6	7
Croatia	3	2	1	0	4	1
Ku-Ring-Gai	6	1	3	2	8	9
Manly	5	2	1	2	8	10
Cant-M'ville	6	2	1	3	8	12
Bankstown	6	1	2	2	6	9
Polonia	5	0	3	2	7	12
Auburn	5	0	0	5	3	15

DIVISION 1 - GRADE 2

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Melita	7	5	2	0	27	12
Blacktown	6	5	1	0	17	6
Ku-Ring-Gai	6	4	1	1	15	3
Sutherland	6	4	0	2	15	8
Bankstown	5	3	2	0	13	6
Manly	6	3	0	3	11	10
Croatia	3	2	1	0	8	6
Cant-M'ville	6	2	1	3	11	12
Auburn	5	2	0	3	9	12
Yugal	6	2	0	4	5	22
Avala	7	1	0	6	12	25
Polonia	6	0	1	5	3	16
Inter-Monaro	7	0	1	6	7	21

DIVISION 1 - GRADE 3

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Sutherland	6	5	0	1	19	6
Cant-M'ville	6	4	2	0	15	3
Melita	7	3	2	2	8	8
Manly	5	3	1	1	7	7
Blacktown	5	2	1	2	8	6
Ku-Ring-Gai	6	2	1	3	8	10
Polonia	5	3	0	2	5	8
Auburn	4	2	1	1	8	12
Croatia	2	1	1	0	4	1
Bankstown	5	1	1	3	9	11
Avala	6	1	0	5	7	20
Yugal	4	0	0	4	1	12

DIVISION 2 - GRADE 1

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Fairy Meadow	7	6	1	0	15	7
Gladesville	6	5	0	1	14	8
W'gong Utd	7	4	1	2	12	6
Warr N'been	6	3	2	1	13	6
Artarmon	7	4	0	3	14	9
Dee Why	7	3	2	2	12	13
Revesby W'krs	6	2	3	1	12	7
Rockdale	6	3	1	2	13	11
Penrith Utd	7	2	3	2	7	9
Nth Bankstown	6	2	1	3	12	9
Bl'kwn Utd	6	1	1	4	5	7
Parra City	7	0	3	4	6	14
Uni of NSW	6	0	1	5	4	13
Belmore	6	0	1	5	2	22

DIVISION 2 - GRADE 2

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Fairy Meadow	7	4	2	1	20	10
W'gong Utd	7	5	0	2	19	10
Gladesville	6	3	3	0	16	4
Penrith Utd	7	4	1	2	13	5
Rev Workers	6	4	0	2	15	6
Parra City	7	3	2	2	11	15
Warr N'been	6	2	3	1	7	5
Artarmon	7	3	1	3	15	17
Nth Bankstown	6	2	2	2	10	6
Rockdale	6	2	1	3	10	11
Uni of NSW	7	2	1	4	6	17
Belmore	7	1	1	5	10	19
Dee Why	7	1	1	5	3	14
Bl'kwn Utd	6	1	0	5	5	14

DIVISION 2 - GRADE 3

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Penrith Utd	7	6	1	0	26	8
Fairy Meadow	7	6	0	1	34	10
Dee Why	7	4	1	2	14	11
Parra City	7	4	0	3	10	10
Warr N'been	6	3	1	2	14	11
Rockdale	6	3	1	2	7	8
Gladesville	6	1	4	1	10	8
Nth Bankstown	6	3	0	3	11	6
Bl'kwn Utd	6	2	2	2	10	11
W'gong Utd	7	1	3	3	10	14
Uni of NSW	7	1	3	3	4	12
Belmore	7	2	0	6	12	11
Artarmon	7	1	2	4	11	20
Rev Workers	7	1	0	6	5	27

DIVISION 3 - GRADE 1

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bathurst 75	4	3	1	0	8	1
Gladesville Hby	3	2	1	0	5	2
Kingsford	3	2	1	0	7	5
Queens Park ES	4	2	1	1	6	5
Nth Ryde	4	2	1	1	5	5
C'town City	4	1	2	1	5	4
Mt Druitt Twn	4	1	2	1	5	6
Bondi Marine	4	1	2	1	9	3
Lane Cove Utd	4	1	1	2	6	7
L'pool Albion	4	0	3	1	4	7
CSI	4	1	0	3	4	7
Baulkham Hills	4	0	0	4	16	0

DIVISION 3 - GRADE 2

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
C'town City	4	4	0	0	13	8
My Druitt Twn	4	2	1	1	9	5
L'pool Albion	4	2	1	1	7	3
CSI	4	2	1	1	7	5
Bondi Marine	4	1	2	1	10	5
Baulkham Hills	4	1	2	1	9	8
Nth Ryde	4	2	0	2	6	10
Lane Cove Utd	4	1	1	2	8	6
Queens Pk ES	4	1	1	2	6	7
Bathurst 75	4	1	1	2	3	6
Kingsford	3	0	1	2	1	11
Gladesville Hby	3	0	0	3	1	8

DIVISION 3 - GRADE 3

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Baulkham Hills	4	4	0	0	13	1
Gladesville Hby	3	3	0	0	9	6
Queens Park ES	4	3	0	1	13	5
C'town City	4	3	0	1	6	5
L'pool Albion	4	2	0	2	14	5
Mt Druitt Twn	4	2	0	2	9	4
CSI	4	2	0	2	12	4
Kingsford	3	1	1	1	4	7
Bondi Marine	4	1	0	3	6	10
Bathurst 75	4	0	1	3	4	10
Nth Ryde	4	0	1	3	4	13
Lane Cove Utd	4	0	1	3	4	20

Cant-M'ville defeated a determined Ku-Ring-Gai 4-3 in a game highlighted by spectacular hat-tricks from Eaton (Ku-Ring-Gai) and Theodorakopoulos (Cant-M'ville).

Ku-Ring-Gai were quick to get into stride and within three minutes a fine run from Brockbank and resolute cross found Eaton free and he made no mistake.

Cant-M'ville equalised moments later after a fine combination of passing between Vassiliou and Theodorakopoulos resulted in the later driving the ball home.

Canterbury took charge after Theodorakopoulos leapt to meet a corner and headed it past the despairing Antman to send his team into the lead.

Minutes before the break the 'Berries' went further ahead after Vassiliou slotted the ball past the Ku-Ring-Gai 'keeper.

Soon after the resumption Ku-Ring-Gai pegged one back. A dashing run and subsequent cross from Berry was put away by Eaton.

Midway through the half Theodorakopoulos scored his hat-trick when his long range shot sailed over the 'keeper's head and into goal.

Minutes later Eaton collected his triple after he latched onto a loose ball inside the area.

Eaton, Regan, who was solid up front and Kevern in defence all had strong games for Ku-Ring-Gai.

It was a fine team effort by Canterbury highlighted by the individual talents of Theodorakopoulos, Vassiliou and Hantzis.

CANT-M'VILLE: A El Zein, T. Antonopoulos, S. Hantzis, J. Binos, G. Laws, T. Andreou, W. Vassiliou, T. Anagnostopoulos, N. Theodorakopoulos, J. Basterfield, C. Papadopoulos (Z. Mickovic 65).

KU-RING-GAI: P. Antman, D. Kevern, D. Hammond, T. Jesse, A. Robertson, M. Berry, T. Bertram (T. Gavin 60), A. Brockbank, S. Regan, C. Eaton, N. Hunter.

GOALS: Cant-M'ville (Theodorakopoulos 15, 25, 55 Vassiliou 40), Ku-Ring-Gai C Eaton 3, 48, 60).

Yugal celebrated their first game at Fraser Park with a 1-0 victory over Inter-Monaro.

Early into the match Rokodera latched onto a loose ball, passed to Babian but his attempt sailed over the crossbar.

Captain-coach Mihajlovic put Yugal ahead in the 28th when he took a free-kick from an acute angle and curled it past the bewildered Curcic.

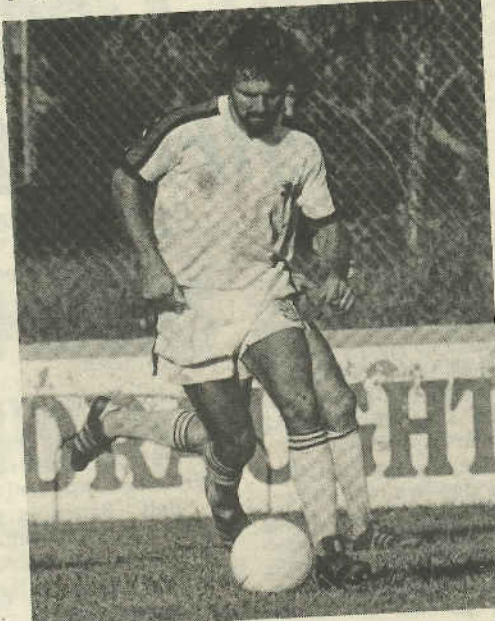
Reis almost levelled the account but his header was well saved by Wooton. Just before the break a skilful one-two passing combination between Arquero and Reis resulted in a shot being blocked.

By
Andrew Paschalidis

Early after the resumption a weaving run and shot from Willox was saved by Wooton. In the 56th minute Reis crossed the ball to the unmarked Willox but his attempt was saved again by Wooton.

A quick counter attack from Yugal found Tanoski free, however his attempt was saved by the diving Curcic.

Babian found himself free in the area but his two attempts at goal were well saved by the Monaro 'keeper.



Clive Eaton, who scored a fine hat-trick for Ku-Ring-Gai.

Monaro's best chance came in the dying stages of the match. A curling free-kick by Vieri was nodded on by Reis but Wooton just pushed the ball around the post.

Inter-Monaro were well served by Francis, Monterosso and Reis.

The strong Yugal defence proved to be too good for the Monaro side. Pahor and Tanoski continually tried up front for Yugal.

YUGAL: M. Wooton, M. Turkoglu, M. Rendell, D. McIntosh, J. Clarke, S. Babian, T. Mihajlovic (R. Gogic 78), R. Baumgartner (J. Karacan 45), A. Rokodera, E. Pahor, S. Tanoski.

INTER-MONARO: C. Curcic, C. Leith, A. Charles, J. Santolin, M. Francis, B. Willox, A. Monterosso, R. Popovic, M. Valeri (R. Vieri 45), J. Arquero, A. Reis.

GOALS: Yugal (T. Mihajlovic 28).

Sutherland suffered their second defeat in succession when they were beaten 2-1 by Avala in a game highlighted by some poor finishing at Seymour Shaw Park.

Avala struck the first blow in the seventh minute through a communication breakdown between Haynes and Dal Forno. Yousuph swooped onto the loose ball and poked it into

the back of the net.

Sutherland pressed forward. Minutes later a cross from Clinch was sidefooted over the bar by Dal Forno. Clinch was unlucky not to be rewarded after some lead-up work on the right side. His chip into the area was hit over the bar.

Just before the break Avala made it 2-0 after Karanfiloski found himself free in the six-yard area with no-one to beat.

The second half was highlighted by some lost scoring opportunities from both sides, fine goalkeeping and solid defensive play.

Sutherland were rewarded for their countless

Planinic make a mess of the chance with the goal at his mercy.

Melita got into stride quickly after the break and led 2-0 when Duarte made no mistake with a rebound after a header from Jamieson had hit the crossbar.

Auburn were reduced to 10 men after Planinic was sent off for fighting. Auburn struggled on despite the strength of the Melita attack.

Chances by Allan and McKie were well saved by Auburn 'keeper Bowman, but he was finally beaten in the 87th minute when McKie crossed to Allan and he brilliantly turned on the ball to make it 3-0.

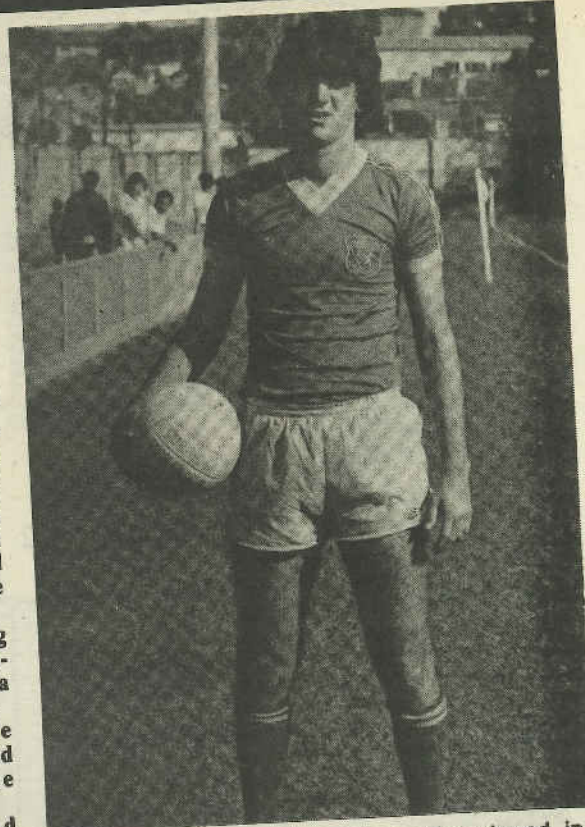
With seconds remaining Allan completed his hat-trick after he collected a fine cross from Jamieson.

Auburn's best were Kikelly in defence and Bowman, despite the scoreline.

Allan, McKie and Jamieson all stood out in the enterprising display from Melita.

MELITA: A. McPherson, R. McPherson, M. Cross, P. Daley, R. McGinn, C. McAusland, D. Duarte (H. Martinez 85), A. Jamieson, D. Allan, J. McKie, R. Farrugia.

AUBURN: D. Bowman,



Canterbury striker Theodorakopoulos starred in his side's victory against Ku-Ring-Gai.

M. Kelly (Bobinac 42), C. Prgomelja, C. Quigley, T. Kikelly, J. Planinic, M. Dale, L. Lunt, T. Kinsey, C. Townson, R. Carney.
GOALS: Melita (Allan 17, 87, 89, Duarte 49).

POLONIA V MANLY: Called off due to wet weather. The Blacktown v Croatia match report is on page two.

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Round 8 — Saturday April 30
Blacktown City v Polonia Gabbie Stadium
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Manly Warringah v S.S.C. Yugal Cromer Park
Inter Monaro v Cant-M'ville Oly Marco Polo Oval
Ku-Ring-Gai v Bankstown Parklands Oval
Avala v Croatia Sydney Knight Park
Auburn v Sutherland Shire Mona Park

DIVISION 2
Round 8 — Saturday April 30
Warringah N'been v Blacktown Utd N'been Fitness Camp
Artarmon v Fairy Meadow Artarmon Reserve
Belmore v Gladesville Ravens Black Oval
Revesby Workers v North Bankstown Jensen Oval
Sunday May 1
Rockdale v Dee Why Hurstville Oval
Uni of NSW v Parramatta City Little Bay Oval
Wollongong United v Penrith United Berkeley Spts. Grd.

DIVISION 1
Round 9 — Saturday May 7
Melita Eagles v Sutherland Shire Melita Stadium
Sunday May 8
Polonia v Avala Chopin Park
S.S.C. Yugal v Blacktown City Fraser Park
Cant-M'ville Oly v Manly Warringah Arlington Oval
Bankstown v Inter Monaro Soccer Centre
Croatia Sydney v Auburn King Tomislav Park

DIVISION 2
Round 9 — Saturday May 7
Revesby Workers v Uni of NSW Jensen Oval
Penrith United v Belmore Cook Park
Sunday May 8
Dee Why v Wollongong United Graham Reserve
Blacktown Utd v Rockdale Francis Park
Fairy Meadow v Warringah N'been Police Boys Ground
Parramatta City v Artarmon Garside Park
North Bankstown v Gladesville Ravens Potts Park

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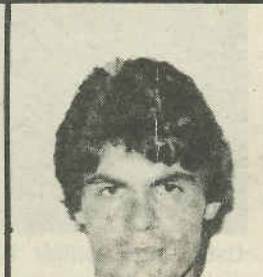
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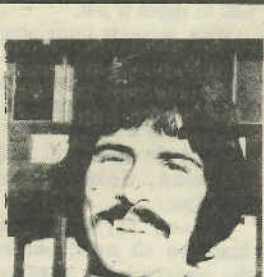
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Eddie Thomson — PSL champion coach 1982



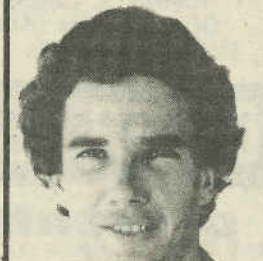
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Will it or won't it? Campbelltown's central striker Con Trovato (left) watches as the ball just escapes the goalkeeper's fingertips for his team's second goal.



SUCH A PEERLESS PERFORMANCE

By Linda Tucker

If the pre-season final is to be taken as a guide in third division NSW State League Soccer, Campbelltown City should have no trouble taking out the premiership after gliding to an easy 3-1 victory over Mt Druitt Town.

The Peerless Cup, sponsored by Peerless Sportswear, saw a strong Campbelltown side grab the initiative early in the game and hold on throughout the entire 90 minutes despite two severe setbacks early in the play.

Played at Popondetta Park, Mt Druitt, the final had already been put off because of torrential rains on the original day of play but it was sunny and hot on the big day.

Coach of the winning side Ray Byles was elated with his team's win and was

full of superlatives for the players.

"It was a magnificent team performance," he proudly stated.

Courage and skill was displayed by the team's playing on undeterred after losing key striker Lorry "Buff" Bision in the eighth minute and midfielder Nigel Clark in the 29th.

City was forced to play 82 minutes a player short when the referee showed Bision the red card for a challenge on the Mt Druitt goalie.

Twenty-one minutes later, the second setback

occurred when City's constructive Nigel Clarke had to be escorted from the field, much the worse for wear following a collision.

It took only three minutes for Campbelltown to regain the flow and its barrage of attack paid off when the first of the three goals was scored by star midfielder Peter Treacy.

His side-footed shot left Mt Druitt's goalie Mich Harris flat-footed.

The second goal was scored three minutes before half-time when City's Con Trovato lobbed the ball over Harris' head.

The second half produced no change in play as the game continued to go City's way with the third goal scored in the 15th minute.

A throw-in by Craig Peck was picked up by Con Trovato who headed it behind Mt Druitt's defenders where City back Gary Reid materialised to guide the ball into the net.

Mt Druitt was able to salvage a goal three minutes before full-time in a sudden show of attack — finished off by their defender Steve Chapman.

Ray Byles was pleased to point out:

"It took them (Mt Druitt) 87 minutes against our 10 players to get a shot on target."

NSW Federation State League 3 has been fortunate in procuring sponsorship for its pre-season competition from Peerless Sportswear. Peerless have provided a perpetual Cup and a set of 20 shirts, shorts and socks to the winning team each year. The Division owes appreciation to Mr. B. Powell and officials of the Mt. Druitt Town club for their assistance in this venture.

RESULTS

Polonia v Manly Warringah 0-4, 0-3
Cant-M'ville v Ku-Ring-Gai 4-3, 0-3, 1-1
S.S.C. Yugal v Inter Monaro 1-0, 2-1, ---
Croatia Sydney v Blacktown City
Match Played Monday
Sutherland Shire v Avala 1-2, 7-1, 8-0
Auburn v Melita Eagles 0-4, 2-5, 1-1

SECOND DIVISION
North Bankstown v Belmore 7-0, 4-1, 2-1
Fairy Meadow v Uni of NSW 3-2, 4-0, 5-0
Dee Why v Warringah N'been 2-2, 1-3, 0-1
Blacktown United v Artarmon 0-1, 2-5, 5-1
P'matta City v Revesby Workers 1-1, 1-6, 3-1
Penrith United v Rockdale 3-2, 4-0, 1-0
G'ville Ravens v W'gong United 1-0, 6-0, 2-2

THIRD DIVISION
Mt Druitt Town v Queens Park E/S 2-2, 3-1, 1-6
Bondi Marine v Baulkham Hills 7-0, 2-2, 0-4
Kingsford v Liverpool Albion 1-1, 1-1, 2-1
Bathurst '75 v North Ryde 2-0, 0-2, 2-2
G'ville-Hby v C'town City 1-0, 1-3, 4-0
Lane Cove United v C.S.I 1-3, 1-3, 2-8

INTER URBAN FIRST DIVISION
Concordia v Maroubra United 0-2, 3-3
King Tomislav v Port Hacking 1-8, 1-4
Spanish Club v Eastern Creek 1-0, 1-3
Hurstville-Zagreb v Ninevah Eagles 2-1, 2-2
Wenty Waratahs v Sydney Uni 3-1, 0-2
Fairfield West v Fairfield Kiev 1-1, 5-0

FIRST GRADE
Maroubra Utd 7, Pt Hacking 6, Fairfield West 5, Fairfield Kiev 5, Sydney Uni 5, King Tomislav 4, Eastern Creek 3, Nineveh Eagles 3, Wenty Waratahs 3, Spanish Club 3, Hurst-Zagreb 2, Concordia 2.

SECOND GRADE
Fairfield West 6, Pt Hacking 6, Maroubra Utd 6, Sydney Uni 6, Eastern Creek 4, King Tomislav 4, Spanish Club 4, Nineveh Eagles 3, Fairfield Kiev 3, Concordia 2, Wenty Waratahs 2, Hurst-Zagreb 2.

INTER URBAN SECOND DIVISION
Moorebank v Sydney Maccabi 3-2, 3-1
Padstow Park v Chelsea Washed Out
West United v Chile Sports Washed Out
Eastwood S/A West St George 3-0, 1-0
Pagewood v Campbelltown Gunns 0-4, 2-3

FIRST GRADE
Camp'twn Gunn's 5, Eastwood S.A. 5, Trasandinos Sports 5, Chelsea* 4, Syd. Maccabi* 3, West St George 3, Chile Sports* 2, Moorebank 2, Pagewood 2, Padstow Pk* 1, West Utd* 1.

SECOND GRADE
Camp'twn Gunn's 5, Moorebank 5, Chelsea* 4, Eastwood S.A. 4, Trasandinos Sports 3, West Utd* 3, Syd. Maccabi* 3, Pagewood 2, West St George 2, Chile Sports* 1, Padstow Pk* 1.

INTER URBAN THIRD DIVISION
Robins v Macquarie Uni 2-2, 4-1
Gr Valley v H'bury Dist 1-1, 2-1
Blacktown Wand v Sm'field Hotspurs 2-3, 1-0
Ryde Dist v L'pool City 1-1, 2-1

Haberfield B/D's v Revesby Rovers 7-4, 4-4

FIRST GRADE
Biktown Wand's 6, Green Valley 6, Smithfield Hotspurs 5, Ryde Dist 4, Robins 4, Macarthur Utd 4, Liverpool City 4, Macq. Uni 3, Haberfield B/D's 3, Hawkes Dist 1, Revesby Rovers 0.

SECOND GRADE
Ryde Dist 6, Green Valley 5, Liverpool City 5, Robins 4, Hawks Dist 4, Macq. Uni 4, Smithfield Hotspurs 4, Revesby Rovers 3, Macarthur Utd 2, Blacktown Wand's 2, Haberfield B/D's 1.

INTER URBAN FOURTH DIVISION
South Sydney v Chullora 1-4, 0-4
Hellas Poiedon v Liverpool Rangers TBA, 2-2

Rosebery v Lithgow Workers 4-0, 14-1
Nepean Rovers v Dulwich Hill 3-1, 1-2
Rangers Hajduk v Murray Farm Rang 1-1, 1-2
Colo Colo v Blacktown Wks 2-3, 3-3

FIRST GRADE
Rangers Hajduk 7, Nepean Rovers 6, Chullora 4, Rosebery* 4, Sth Sydney 4, Murray Farm Rang's 3, Lithgow Workers 3, Dulwich Hill* 2, Blacktown Workers 2, Colo Colo 1.

SECOND GRADE
Rosebery* 6, Chullora 6, Murray Farm Rang's 6, Dulwich Hill* 6, Rangers Hajduk 5, Hellas Poiedon 4, Nepean Rovers 4, Blacktown Workers 3, Colo Colo 3, Liverpool Rang's 3, Sth Sydney 0, Lithgow Workers 0.

INTER URBAN FIFTH DIVISION
Lansvale Utd v Welcome Sports 1-4, 2-1
Liverpool Utd v Concord Juniors 0-2, 1-2
Sans Souci v St Marys RSL 2-1, 0-4
Argentinian L/U v Jedinstvo Utd 1-1, 6-0
Santiago Wands v Castle Hill 2-1, 0-7



At the presentation of the pen and pencil sets are, from left, goalkeeper Chris Hummel, striker Frank Farina, and Arrows' Soccerroo, George Christopoulos. Picture courtesy of Vladimir Stojanovic.

NICE GESTURE TO YOUTH PLAYERS

By Steve Burns

Canberra Arrows did its own thing to boost the morale of the sizeable Canberra contingent in Australia's World Youth Cup squad during its last home game.

It presented the four AIS and the two Arrows' representatives going to Mexico with farewell gifts.

On behalf of the club, former Youth International and current Soccerroo George Christopoulos presented each youngster with a gold Parker Arrows pen and pencil set.

Club chairman David Dillon said the success the youth team had enjoyed in reaching the World Cup finals had captured the imagination of all Australians. "It can only be good for Soccer," he added.

"I'm sure all of you, like us, wish the boys every success in Mexico."

And not to be outdone the Arrowettes — Canberra's cheer squad — also presented the group with a kangaroo mascot.

DEGEER QUILTS

Brisbane Lions Dutch signing Dou-dewijn Degeer has returned to Europe after playing only three and a half matches for the club.

Degeer, who had not played since breaking a bone in his foot in the NSL round two against Canberra, decided to fly to Spain after an unexpected call from his wife. Degeer had been separated for some time.

Degeer arrived in Brisbane in a blaze of publicity and as a former Norway player of the year, was expected to be a star here.

But he found it very difficult to adapt and was not helped by an achilles tendon injury shortly after his arrival which meant he never really got into full fitness.

Lions have signed Scottish attacking midfielder Jim McDonagh and although the club has a spare visa place, it is unlikely a replacement for Degeer will be bought.

COLEMAN SIGNS FOR IPSWICH

By Greg Russell

Former Sydney Croatia defender Kev Coleman has signed for Queensland Premier League club, Ipswich United.

Coleman had been in Queensland for several months, after being transferred here in his employment but turned down a number of approaches from various clubs.

Brisbane Croatian club Sunnyside had been very keen to sign the talented defender and NSL club Lions had spoken to him also. Coleman, who was reportedly on a \$8000 transfer, told Lions his work commitments prevented him travelling interstate at weekends.

Coleman is the third major signing Ipswich coach Matt Carson, the former Lions NSL coach, has made this season.

Earlier he secured former Rothmans medal winner Ken Gordon from Grange Thistle and had Ron Millman as a swap with Lions for sweeper Alan Marszalek.

Ipswich also had its squad boosted by the return of busy midfielder Bruce Penman, who retired last year to set up a new business. Penman only recently saw his way clear to resume training.

But the Jacaranda men have lost winger John Reid, who after a month's trial, decided to return to coaching, and midfielder Randall McKeand, who may need an operation on a bad nose break.

TIPPING THE BUCKET!

By Greg Russell

Australian Soccer Federation commercial director Peter Sheean must have wondered what he had stumbled into when he attended a Queensland Soccer Federation council of clubs meeting recently.

An obviously very tired Sheean had to sit through a lengthy appeal on a bucket of water throwing incident at a pre-season match.



He heard considerable debate on exactly what the referee had been called, with witnesses relating the colourful terms that had been used. He must have

been amused by evidence submitted on whether water was thrown out of the bucket or whether it propelled itself.

He then must have had to bite his lip when one delegate suggested it had rained heavily that night and perhaps that was how the referee got wet.

But all that if Sheean was still sleepy he was quickly awoken when the dozen or so ceiling fans were turned on full blast blowing almost everything, and very nearly himself, across the room.

Sheean later spoke very well and enlightened the council as to the plans the ASF had for this and future seasons. He all but confirmed Poland as the fourth country in the four-nation tournament in November.

SALISBURY THE TIP

By Tom McKain

Salisbury are already early favourites to move into the SA Rothmans League first division next season.

With four rounds played after an early start, they are leading the table with eight points, followed by Apac and Lion on seven each — then Adelaide City — the reserves of the NSL side — on six.

The significance of the second division this year is the big money spent by Salisbury through sponsor Jarvis Ford and its coach Steve Jarvis, and Adelaide City's bid to get their reserve team into the top local competition alongside fellow NSL club West, which won the second division last year.

Jarvis is in England and has phoned back to say that he has confirmed arrangements for Martin Chivers, the former England star, to play six guest matches for Salisbury.

Chivers will come to Australia with his wife and family as guests of Salisbury.

Polonia will have a permanent import before the end of the season.

Visiting English back four player David Harris has signed for the club, but has to return to England and apply to come to Australia on a permanent basis.

Polonia coach Dave Jenkins said the giant 23-year old has looked very impressive in trial matches and at training sessions.

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Moves afoot — again — to reduce the first division to eight teams in a new look super league.

The SA Federation's technical committee is looking at a plan which would see teams play each other three times in the season with Hindmarsh Stadium being used for the third meeting in each fixture.

This would boost the revenue of the Federation, which owns the ground with Hindmarsh Council, and also give spectators top facilities to watch matches.

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Nigel Lownds flies high, above the body of Justin Fashanu

LOWNDS QUICK RETURN

By Greg Russell

Brisbane Lions goalkeeper Nigel Lownds could be back on the field within a month after being carried off on a stretcher in the National League match against Preston at Richlands.

It was feared Lownds had broken his arm when he dived at the feet of Preston striker Jamie Paton. But x-rays revealed his elbow had only been dislocated.

A small operation was needed to right the joint but the ligaments and surrounding area were badly bruised and doctors predicted it would be some weeks before Lownds would regain full use of his arm.

It was a tragic blow for the Lions keeper who had just returned to the side after overcoming a shoulder injury.

Lownds was in top form and had been har-

bouring an ambition to win a place in the Australian team to play England. Lownds was the front-runner to be selected as Queensland keeper for the interstate match against New South Wales at Perry Park on May 8. He was hoping to turn in a faultless performance in front of caretaker national coach Frank Arok, who many in Queensland are hoping will attend the game.

Lownds was selected in one of Rudi Gutendorf's many national squads but along with former Lions teammate Tony Brennan, was sent home from a camp in Newcastle after reportedly breaking curfew.

At 27, the former Manchester City player believes he is not too old to represent Australia. Now he is hoping to overcome this injury and concentrate on winning a place in the squad for the 1986 World Cup qualifying matches.

TWO MATCHES POSTPONED

Note to Canberra fans. Two important games — one home and one away — have been rescheduled to the end of the season. The games are the May 9 away game against Brisbane City and the Sydney City home game in June. Both games will now be played in October.

THREE SPORTS GETTING TOGETHER

By Steve Burns

Canberra's impact on the national sporting scene — not just from the Soccer point of view, but also Rugby League and National League Basketball — will be well covered at Canberra Arrows next VIP Club lunch.

Guest speakers are Arrows' coach George Murray, Canberra Raiders' Coach, Don Furner and Canberra Cannons basketball coach, Bob Turner.

Arrows' administrator, Karen Grega, said that the coaches would deal with their particular sport, their

problems, give personal insights into the world of the professional coach — and also cover the acceptance of Canberra in national sports competition.

"I think having the three coaches together at the one venue is unique," Ms Grega said.

"Hopefully, it will have great appeal."

"It is another step in Canberra sports taking joint approaches to promotional and marketing opportunities whenever possible."

"After all, it is true that we do carry the main brunt of Canberra's sporting reputation nationally."

The Turner-Furner-Murray VIP lunch will be held at the Downer Olympic club on April 28. Cost to members is \$12 and non-member \$15.



Australia's squad to play England pictured at their Camperdown H.Q. in Sydney.

AROK'S SOCCEROO NIGHTMARES

The selection of the Australian team to meet England in the three match series in June will be watched with great interest by all concerned with Soccer in this country.

To say that stand-in coach Frank Arok has his worries would be the understatement of the year.

I'm sure Arok must wake up in a cold sweat having nightmares over the task ahead of him.

For let's face it the credibility of the Socceroos is not the only issue on the line here — it's also Arok's reputation.

There's no way he can brush it off by saying he was pitched in at the deep end. He's been given a free hand by national coach Les Scheinflug to select the players of his choice.

So Arok will stand or fall by his own hand — as all coaches do.

The outstanding feature of the NSL this season has been the lack of consistency of teams and players.

If performances were graphed out they would resemble a map of the Alps.

The only consistent players since the season started have been members of the World Youth squad who will play in Mexico in June.

It's a pity these finals and the English tour overlap became some of Arok's problems could have been overcome by the inclusion of Jim Patikas, Tommy McCulloch and David Lowe in the senior squad.

But this is not to be, and these brilliant youngsters will be far away in Mexico with coach Scheinflug seeking fame and glory for Australia on the world scene.

But back to the England series and Arok's teams.

Obviously he will have to be a realist and select the best players available on form.

No doubt the experienced Arok will do just that.

But, before I go any further, I would like to put forward my selections

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coach Frank Arok has his for the England game and also a shadow team to standby.

I will be in Mexico with the Young Socceroos at the time of the England visit.

But here's my team (4-4-2) on current form.

Goalkeeper: Greg Woodhouse (Leichhardt).

Defence: Bobby Russell (South Melbourne), Arno Bertogna (Leichhardt), David Ratcliffe (St George), Alan Davidson (South Melbourne).

Midfield: Peter Stone (St George), Steve Hogg (Brisbane Lions), Ken Murphy (South Melbourne), Graham Jennings (Sydney Olympic).

Marshall Soper (Sydney Olympic), John Kosmina (Sydney City).

My shadow team (also 4-4-2) is:

Goalkeeper: Terry Greedy (St George).

Defence: David Skeen (St George), Steve Blair (South Melbourne), Charlie Yankos (Heidelberg), Ian Bruce (Sydney City).

Midfield: Joe Watson (Sydney City), Tony Henderson (Marconi), Peter Raskopoulos, Peter Katholos (Sydney Olympic).

Forwards: Barry Kelso (Brisbane Lions), Charlie Egan (South Melbourne).

No doubt if you walk down the street and ask 10 people to name their team you will get 10 different line-ups.

That's football and that's how it will always be.

However, to qualify my selections I feel that Greg Woodhouse is now back to his best form with a maturity that was previously missing from his make-up.

The back four of Russell, Bertogna, Ratcliffe and Davidson, is for me, the best available.



By Tom Anderson

They are fully conversant with what is required at top level and drilled in the needs in defence.

Midfield is the big problem and no doubt Arok would give a great deal of money to anyone who could unearth a player with the capabilities and class of wee Jimmy Rooney.

There are no Rooney's around and I feel that Peter Stone is the best play-

maker at present.

I have also included Olympic's Graham Jennings on the left midfield — a position where he can help in defence and go through on attack.

I also feel that the Davidson — Jennings pairing would prove a tremendous combination in any company.

Ken Murphy, on form, merits a place and there is no fiercer destroyer in midfield than Brisbane Lions Steve Hogg at the present.

Up front, John Kosmina and Marshall Soper are a must and surely no argument here.

But of course it's still a few weeks away from the England series and anything could happen before kick-off time.

Especially the way players are going down injured — in matches and in the national team training camp.

What will play a big part in Arok's preparation for the England series is his psychological approach to the game and his ability to motivate players.

For the real big news is going to be the Young Socceroos in Mexico — they're proven winners and the Australian public love a winner.

And, if the youngsters get the desired results, then the sky's the limit and their exploits will undoubtedly grab the headlines.

Also, if England bring a few stars with them — they are going to be the target for the press when they arrive.

So there could be a situation where the Socceroos will be almost a forgotten team.

This will be one more problem for coach Arok to overcome.

So all in all, it's going to be a great challenge and tremendous test of Arok's coaching prowess.

FANS CALL S.A. TUNE

By Tom McKain

Spectator power was felt in Adelaide over the last few weeks.

It involved three clubs — Adelaide City, West Adelaide and Azzurri — the latter from the local State League first division.

Incidents involving three players, Charlie Villani, Wally Bojczuk and George Konstandopoulos sparked a chain of events controlled by fans.

First, City coach Bobby Ferguson placed five players on the transfer list — Johnny Nyskohus, Jimmy Wright, Chris Manou, Chris Miller and Charlie Villani.

Immediately there was a howl of protest over the apparent rejection of Villani.

He was one of the fans' favourite sons, and one of the only two "Italian Connections" left in the first team.

It was pointed out to various officials before the news was made public that it was wrong to list Villani.

While there is no written rule, it is taken for granted that in ethnic-backed teams, there should be at least two players from the community that backs a club.

Agreed, they must be good players, but no one would argue about Villani's ability.

However, the club stuck by Ferguson's decision.

Within days president Lou Ravesi announced that there had been second thoughts about Villani.

He would be reconsidered for the first team if he undertook a series of training workouts with a fitness specialist, and also changed his "attitude."

Then Ferguson came out and said all the players would be reconsid-

ered if they lifted their games, and their attitudes.

Johnny Nyskohus got back in as a substitute as did Jimmy Wright, while Villani is about to make his return to the NSL.

Miller signed for Beograd, and Chris Manou is still up for sale.

Now for Bojczuk.

When West coach Alan Vest signed him from Azzurri at the start of the year there was a groan from fans, who had their eyes on George Konstandopoulos, a tearaway striker with Port Adelaide.

Konstandopoulos opted to join Azzurri.

Bojczuk, joint top scorer in the State League with Socceroo Youth striker Joe Mullen, turned out for West in the Ampol Cup and was jeered whenever he touched the ball.

Fans told him to go back to Azzurri.

With his nerves shattered Bojczuk was confined to the bench, but even at training the fans turned up to give him the raspberry.

And suddenly Konstandopoulos, signed as an amateur, decided he would rather be with West — to join the only other Greek in the West team, Steve Atsalas.

He was signed, and in a dramatic Friday night move before the start of the Rothmans League first division, Bojczuk was spirited back to Azzurri, and turned out for them in their opening match.

Konstandopoulos played for West's reserves in first division.

Neither scored, with Azzurri drawing 1-1 with Polonia and West going down 2-0 to Croatia.

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ASW'S PERSONALITY OF THE WEEK

GARY PHILLIPS

By Andrew Paschalidis

Sydney Olympic's hopes of winning their first title in the NSL rest heavily on their midfield machine. While three of their prominent players Peter Katholos, Jim Patikas and Peter Raskopoulos share the limelight, the "silent hero" in the gearbox most certainly is Gary Phillips.

This relatively young player has come of age since his successful move from Coffs Harbour in the Northern NSW State League.

Gary was born in Bankstown Hospital on the 9th of June, 1963. He started his playing career in the then popular North Bankstown nursery squad.

From there it was off to Wahroonga for one season. The majority of his playing days were spent in Sawtell — five kilometres south of Coffs Harbour — from 1970 to 1978. The following year he represented Coffs Harbour in the Northern Coast Premier League and there spent his last year in the country playing in the Northern NSW State League.

While he was playing for Coffs Harbour, Sydney City made approaches to secure him but these fell through. Gary travelled to Newcastle to trial with the KB side but Alan Vest, the coach at the time, was not interested in the talented player. Sydney Olympic's gain was Newcastle KB's loss.

I asked Gary what were his most memorable events during his career.

"Being the only player to represent the Australian Schoolboys in 1979-80-81 was the highlight of my career. However the header that I scored against Leichhardt at Pratten Park last year was just incredible. The crowd support and atmosphere was great."

Gary hastened to mention that playing before the Australia v Cosmos game for the Schoolboy side in front of over 60,000 people was something he will never forget.

Gary's talents aren't only involved with the round ball code. He has represented the State in cricket and reached the 2nd Round of the 1983 2SM Surfabout (he obviously gained his surfing skills while living at Sawtell which is right on the Northern NSW coast).

What teams do you think will fill the top four spots at the end of the season?

"No side should be treated lightly. People shouldn't write off Sydney City. They have the experience behind them and you will find they will bridge the gap."

"The two sides from Melbourne, South Melbourne and Heidelberg, will prove the biggest hurdles."

Gary is a fervent follower of Liverpool in England



Gary celebrates an Olympic goal

and his favourite players are Glenn Hoddle and Kevin Keegan...neither of whom plays for Liverpool!

Who would be the hardest man to mark in the NSL?

"Murray Barnes of Sydney City is very difficult to contain. His hard and aggressive style is not easy to combat."



Gary Phillips with Olympic coach Tommy Docherty

YOUNG GARY GOING PLACES

The biggest disappointment in his career was being over-age for selection in the current Australian Youth side. Gary's age fell over the restricted limit by 52 days.

I asked Gary who was the most influential person in his career.

"My stepfather in Sawtell, John Holland, looked after me during the important developing days of my career. He nursed and guided my future with great success."

"Tommy Docherty gave me the highest compliment I could receive. At the beginning of the season The Doc was originally going to use a 4-3-3 combination. To accommodate me, he changed it to the 4-4-2 combination."

The "silent hero" takes everything in his stride. His defensive play and forward movement is a delight to watch. Gary Phillips is one of the up and coming young brigade who came through the schoolboy ranks like Steve Blair, Oscar Crino, Robbie Wheatley, Howard Tredinnick etc.

The stocky Olympian will continue on the path of success which will, hopefully, end in his selection to the Australian side.

STOWELL KNOCKS STATE SQUAD INTO SHAPE

By Greg Russell

Queensland coach Bruce Stowell has been forced to make an addition to his squad for the Centenary interstate clash with New South Wales at Perry Park on May 8.

Stowell has brought in Acacia Ridge goalkeeper Robbie Farrow following the withdrawal through injury of Lions' keeper Nigel Lownds.

But Farrow, whose team plays in the Premier League, is highly rated by many coaches including former Lions coach Matt Carson who said recently he could not understand why the youngster was not playing National League.

Farrow nearly missed his opportunity of impressing Stowell. The State coach watched Acacia Ridge on Easter Monday but Farrow was told prior to the match that he was under inspection.

Whether that was the reason or not, Farrow turned in one of his worst performances in years. But the shrewd Stowell ignored that showing and turned up unannounced at the Ridge's next game and watched Farrow give a brilliant display against Brisbane City.

Stowell has been training his 18-man squad once a week. They have already begun to play trial matches but his preparations have been hampered by players making themselves unavailable due to injury or youth camps.

Unlike Johnny Watkins, Stowell does not have the depth of talent to exclude Queensland's youth squad members and Russell Stewart, Stephen Glockner, Danny Wright and even Frank Farina are leading contenders for the maroon team.

The only thing which may prompt Stowell not to use them is that the youth team goes into camp the week prior to the interstate match when Stowell wants to put his team into an intensive build-up.

While Stowell is keeping his tactics very close to his chest it is almost certain the Brisbane City defence and attack will be selected largely as units. Wishart probably will get the nod.



Steve Hogg

on his past experience, while the back four could be Steve Perry, Peter Tokesi, Frank Liddell and Alan Niven, on his form of the past fortnight, edging out city's Billy Wilkinson.

Alan Hughes, Stephen Glockner and Joe Cairney are the likely forwards, with Danny Wright a more than able substitute.

The midfield is much harder to pick with Russell Stewart, Steve Hogg, Billy Wilkinson, Frank Pimblett and Bobby Hamilton all in contention.

My tip is he will sit either

Hughes or Cairney on the bench and play four across the midfield in Hogg, Williamson, Pimblett and Hamilton.

Hogg would push wide on the right. Hamilton could give width on the left and Williamson would lurk behind the forwards in the middle.

The only problem with such a formation is that Hamilton and Williamson are not noted for chasing back and if Queensland lost the ball in attack, it could find itself light on in defence.

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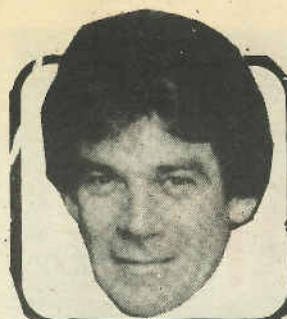
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Stephens Sports Travel tour leader John Lane with enthusiastic youngsters surrounding Liverpool star Craig Johnston.



CAPTAIN SOCCEROO

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HARRY WILLIAMS SWITCHES SPORT

Former Socceroo, St George and Canberra Arrows attacking full-back, Harry Williams, is in the process of launching himself into a new career as a professional runner.

Williams has been out of Soccer for over two years but a little more than 12 months ago he joined the sprinting stable of top pro runner and coach Tony Jakeman.

"I turned to pro running in preference to Soccer because I find it a new challenge," said Williams.

"I get great satisfaction from running and am hoping to compete on the track for many years."

Williams has been set a 2-3 year programme which should see him reach the standard of competitiveness that would match him against the leading runners on the professional circuit.

Williams trains six nights a week and finds it just as demanding as Soccer training.

Soccer's loss is pro running's gain.

Williams was rated by

many as one of the most exciting local players to emerge for many years.

He burst on the scene with Saints back in 1970.

After spending a season as a winger in Saints' reserve team, Williams did not blossom until he was changed to left-back.

Then it all happened.

He quickly established himself in Saints first team catching the eye with his spectacular overlaps down the left flank.

After only six first team games with Saints, he was chosen by the then new national team coach Rasic in the Socceroo team which travelled the world at the end of the 1970 season.

Although a squad member of Rasic's 1970-1974 World Cup team, Williams did not establish himself as a regular first team Socceroo choice

until Jimmy Shoulder's 1974-1978 team.

A spate of injuries in 1979 saw little of Williams in the PSL — with Canberra Arrows finally gambling on buying him at the start of 1980.

Injuries, poor form and a transfer from the Arrows to local Canberra club Downer Olympic meant the end of NSL and Socceroo action for the talented Williams.

In his all-too-brief career, Williams was a clever, crowd-pleasing player — the type the game so desperately needs now.

In wishing him well in his new career, one can only reflect on what should have been for Harry Williams.

His career typified that of many local players — a lot to offer but in the final analysis, falling way short of his undoubted potential.

Perhaps he can achieve that in professional running.



Harry Williams, a great loss to Soccer.

COMMONWEALTH CUP UPDATE

Former Australian squad member Dennis Wright has charge of the Wallsend High Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup team. He has a good side, eager to emulate the deeds of former students. Wallsend won the Tasman Cup in 1964, 1974 and 1975 (shared).

The big clash is expected in Round Two when they come up against another three-time winner Booragul (1967, 1969, 1975 (shared)) coached by the former Division One star John Hobson.

★ ★ ★

Maitland Boys High share equal favouritism with Whitebridge High as the top Hunter school in the 1983 Commonwealth Bank Cup series.

As a special venture the team is expected to visit Queensland for a series of inter-school matches during the NSW August-September holidays. Chapman Bonner is looking after arrangements in the northern State.

The side is coached by Dave Moore.

★ ★ ★

Dave Moore the Maitland Boys High School coach has great wraps on a number of his players this year. They are Scott Goodman, a central defender, Stephen Rutherford a striker, Bruce Lindsay at left-half a highly intelligent lad who reads the game well and Tony Fort a dual representative (Soccer and Cricket).

At the moment Dave is working hard to slot Tony into the team as he has just returned from State cricket duties.

Neil Morris, a stopper and Michael Wright a talented sweeper have bright futures.

The Maitland side defeated Nelson Bay 8-1 in their Round One Cup match and now meet the strong Newcastle High.

★ ★ ★

Newcastle's second top team in this year's Cup, Whitebridge High, are very sharp according to coach Grant Harrison. Central defender and captain Scott Murray plays weekend football for Highfields and is rock-like in defence.

Midfielder Andrew Hamilton is a player of great potential. He has represented Northern NSW in Age Championships a number of times. Regional coach Phil Murray is also very impressed with him.

Reece Collin is a young striker who has also impressed in trial matches.

While this side is comparatively young, (six players being eligible to play Turner Cup) Grant Harrison expects big things from his charges.

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Latest results: Rooty Hill 2 Richmond 1, Colyton 10 Doonside 1, Merrylands 5 Parramatta 2, Liverpool Boys 3 Picnic Point 0, Bowral 2 Mulwaree 1.

A special reminder that results must be phoned to Gareth Williams.



A group of Australian boys with Liverpool star Craig Johnston during last year's Stephens Travel UK Youth Soccer Holidays. Contact Stephens Travel's John Lane on 231 3833 for further details on this year's tour.

HUNTER REGION GAMES

To-night (Tuesday) there will be three excellent Commonwealth Bank Soccer Cup games played at Macquarie Field, Speers Point under floodlights.

The program is: 5.15 p.m. Belmont v Waratah; 6.45 p.m. Newcastle v Maitland; 8.15 p.m. Toronto v Whitebridge.

Bill Turner is this year's administrator of the Cup in the Hunter Region. It is likely that either John Hobson of Cooagul High or Ian Robertson of Gateshead will take over the reins in 1984.

First round results to date are:

Foster 2, Lambton 1; Toronto 5, Scone 0; Merewether 4, Kurri Kurri 2; Belmont 3, Swansea 2; Wallsend 3, Cardiff 0; Jesmond 3, West Wallsend 1;

Singleton 3, Cessnock 1; Maitland 8, Nelson Bay 1; Waratah 0 (4 pen), Warblers Bay 0 (2 pen); Newcastle def Broadmeadow; Francis Greenway def. Gateshead; Glendale v Kotara result to come; Muswellbrook, Raymond Terrace, Booragul, Whitebridge, byes.

COMPETITION WINNERS

The following five boys have won *Australian Soccer Weekly's* scholarships to the Johnny Warren Soccer Academy at Gold Creek Homestead, Canberra for the first week of the May holidays from Sunday May 8 till Friday May 13.

Paul Wilson, Winston Hills.
Nicolas Grice, Baulkham Hills.
Jason Mills, Miranda.
John Cossetin, Canberra.
Paul Prouse, Blacktown.

Australian Soccer Weekly will be in touch with the winners in the next few days to give them final details of the camp.

Apart from six hours coaching daily, students live on Gold Creek Homestead, one of the oldest rural properties in Australia.

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TRANSFER SYSTEM No need to worry — Sam

By Con Nikolopoulos

SOCCER administrators of Victoria, need not worry unnecessarily about the ruling of the Supreme Court, against the transfer system of the Victorian Football League, says National League Chairman Sam Papasavas.

Not that the ruling of the Court has no application on Soccer, but because of the variation of the transfer system of the two codes.

Mr Justice Crockett ruled, last week that "the transfer rules preventing a player choosing his club, were a restraint of the player's trade".

Although the ruling concerned the V.F.L. transfer system, other sporting bodies were alarmed to the possibility of it being used by players of different codes, to obtain free clearance to the club of their choosing.

The implications resulting from the ruling are:

- No club has the right to impede the transfer of its players, once their contract has expired.
- No club has the right to demand any fee for the release of any of its players, once the terms of their contracts have been met.
- Clubs attempting to impede the transfer of their players, will be guilty of restraining the trade of the players willing to transfer.

How does the ruling affect Soccer clubs?

"It has certainly created a precedent which can be used by any

player, at any time" admits Sam Papasavas.

"I doubt however, whether any Soccer player will ever resort to the Supreme Court, for a multitude of reasons".

"First and foremost all of our players are contracted to their clubs as well as registered with the appropriate Soccer bodies".

"Second, our procedures of determining transfer fees of players

ON THE BALL

FRANK McLeod (No.4) of Victorian State League club Albion Rovers tackles Sunshine-George Cross midfielder Norrie Pate, at Selwyn Park, the home of the Rovers.

The lowly Albion are desperate to lift themselves from the bottom of the league and coach Hugh Murney, as well as team manager Joe Docherty, believe they can do it.

But after five games the side were still waiting to break the ice in the goalscoring department.

Photo by Australian Soccer Weekly photographer JOHN PUNSHON.

are entirely different.

"Under our system, a player can appeal against the transfer fee placed upon him, if he feels the club has been unreasonable.

"In the years of my involvement with the game, the Appeals Board has always specified a reasonable transfer fee, acceptable to both parties", he said.

Picking Cotton?

KEN Morton has laid to rest hopes of attracting Roy Cotton from Wollongong to Heidelberg this season and says he is quite happy with the squad he has at the moment.

"It's very true I was interested in Roy and that he would like to come to us but he has got a hell of a good job in Sydney and Wollongong is keen to keep him anyway," Morton said.

"He was the first striker I was interested in because he has always done well for me - he makes goals as well as scores them but at best it's a long shot of us getting him.

"Like any good coach I'm always on the lookout to improve my team and if at any stage I get the chance I would sign a better player than some I've got.

"But I'm happy with the squad I've got and am delighted with the way Scott Patterson has fitted in with the other players both on and off the field."



SITTING IT OUT

THIS is how former Australian and Heidelberg striker Gary Cole appears at National League matches these days. But following his injury and major ankle surgery, he hobbles on crutches to Middle Park to see his old teammates in action. And he just can't wait to get back in the action. Won't be long now Gary! Photo by Australian Soccer Action photographer JOHN PUNSHON.

'WOLVES NOT GOOD ENOUGH'

By Peter Desira

RALE RASIC has cooled down since but he still finds it hard to swallow his side's home defeat to Wollongong.

"Wollongong is not only an ordinary team, it is a super ordinary team. It is a side which revolves around one good player -

Phil O'Connor - and a team we can't afford to lose against."

For that reason Rasic was "exceptionally hard" on his top players and pointed the finger fairly and squarely at a back four which "did not apply itself as told."

G'ole Cup film

"G'OLE", a soccer film with a difference about the 1982 World Cup opened in London last week and should be screened in Australia in the coming months.

The 100 minute film embraces the hopes and heartaches of players and supporters with an intensity TV coverage failed to match.

There are shots of jok-

ing Cameroon squad at dinner, a dejected New Zealand dressing room after the 3-0 defeat by USSR, and even Italian manager Enzo Bearzot being forced to produce his pass at the Stadium gates on the day of the final.

The film's narrator is actor Sean Connery and the musical score is by rock star Rick Wakeman.

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STATE LEAGUE HAS GOOD PLAYERS,
BUT JUVE NEEDS CHANGES FOR NSL

Margaritis gives praise

JOHN MARGARITIS has been pleasantly surprised by the number of good players in the State League and has no doubts that some are better than ones already playing at top level in the National League.

But the Juventus coach says comparing teams overall is a different matter and he has no illusions about his side as a whole coming into the NSL and taking the League by storm.

"While coaching in the NSL, I never got the chance to watch State League so I have been surprised by some players.

"A good number can play and are underestimated - I never thought the level of individual players would be so good. "Some are better than what there is already in the NSL."

Margaritis is reluctant to single out names but says that several of his players have already played at the top level and "know what they're doing".

And he says that "naturally" Melbourne Croatia and Green Gully have a lot of good individuals.



By Peter Desira

Worst ground

HEIDELBERG coach Ken Morton has conceded that the club has probably the worst ground in the League but says that neither the club officials nor the Heidelberg City Council are to blame for the state of the pitch.

"We have problems with it at training and two coaches have commented about it but we can't complain about the amount of work being put in it by the council," Morton said this week.

"The shortage of water has caused the problem but it has improved since pre-season although there are still some bad patches.

"But basically there can be nothing done to it at this stage.

"Elsewhere both the council and the club are working very hard and the facilities will compare with the best in the League in a short period.

"Already the new stand is up and the roof will go on before the end of the month."

The poor playing surface at Olympic Village has been criticised by Alan Vest and Eddie Thomson and NSL secretary Stefan Kamasz is to look into the matter although no official complaint has been lodged with the League.

Thomson of Sydney City described the ground "an absolute mess" and compared it to a driving range on a golf course.



ANOTHER fine picture by John Punshon, Australian Soccer Weekly's photographer.

Here we see Jimmy Campbell, (right), of Heidelberg United, trying to take the ball past South Melbourne defender Arthur Xanthopoulos (No.3) while Theo Salemidis follows the play at Middle Park Stadium.

Grimson for Mexico

By Con Nikolopoulos

Guess, who will lead the Australian contingent to the World Youth Cup?

According to my sources, the ASF has nominated Tommy Grimson, an Executive of the Federation, to lead the Youth Team to Mexico.

Jovanovic on comeback trail

By Peter Desira

WHILE the wholesale changes continue to take place at Footscray, two players who commanded regular places in the side over the past few years, have accepted to play for the club's second division side in an attempt to re-establish themselves in the National League.

Midfielder Slobodan Jovanovic was nominated in Victoria's All Star XI by the Press two seasons ago but has since been plagued by injuries and was a starter in only 15 NSL games last year.

His inability to train during the close season reduced his stocks even further with new coach Bobby McLachlan and it was generally accepted he would be one of the players allowed to move on in the massive rebuilding project.

But Jovanovic has elected to play in Footscray's Metropolitan League team and is slowly bringing himself back to full fitness.

The other player is Mendo Ristovski - but his is a different set of circumstances.

The winger was given his chance in the Ampol Cup and then was put up for sale with Zoran Ilioski in March.

First division club Altona Gate agreed with Footscray on the \$3,000 transfer fee but was unable to convince the player to join the club.

"He doesn't want to go to Altona Gate, and with him out of the senior squad I suppose he will have to play in the reserves while he is with us," said Footscray president Zika Karic.

Footscray's other transfer listed players are goalkeeper Milutin Ciric and sweeper Jim O'Reilly.

O'Reilly has stopped training with the club. He was linked with Sunshine George Cross early on but the State league club did not follow up the initial inquiry for the defender.

Ciric played 17 NSL games for Footscray last

year but started the season as number 2 choice after Dennis Boland sorted out his differences with the club.

The club went into a panic seeking a reserve goalkeeper when Ciric suddenly went to Yugoslavia last month - but the keeper has returned to Melbourne after a four week stay to slap a transfer request at the club.

Northcote City initially showed interest but was scared off by the \$7,000 asking price.

Footscray officials have since said that the figure is negotiable.

Heidelberg fed up!

By Con Nikolopoulos

Heidelberg United president Sam Gouloupoulos, is fed up with the treatment his club is receiving from the National League.

So much so, that he has asked his committee to consider, seriously, the possibility of returning to the State League.

"Don't be the least surprised, if Heidelberg withdraws from the National League next year, whatever its form" Gouloupoulos told the Australian Soccer Weekly.

"We are sick and tired of being treated as second class citizens. This treatment has cost my club thousands of dollars in the past and it is likely to cost more in the future."

Gouloupoulos's anger stems from the decision of the National League to postpone rounds 9 and 14 of the championship, because of State and National commitments of the players.

"Who is going to compensate my club for the financial loss it will incur from playing these games on weekdays?" asks Gouloupoulos.

"We had the same experience in 1981, when we played two championship games on weekdays and lost more than \$20,000 dollars from the gates. We cannot afford to lose this money today, because of our heavy financial commitments."

"The League has, already, deprived us of the opportunity to make some money, with the change of the original draw of the 1983 championship. Had we been allowed to play Olympic at home, in the opening round of the championship, we would have collected very good gate money."

Gouloupoulos finds it very trying his team has been unlucky to be drawn away against the drawcards, of the League.

"For the last few years, he says, we play the important first round matches away. This year, for instance, we played South Melbourne and Preston away from home. The weather conditions were ideal for soccer and the home teams earned big money. By the time we play the return games it will be winter and attendances will be down because of the adverse weather conditions."

Heidelberg are in the process of building their own ground and they need every single dollar they can get.

That is why they have been struggling since they moved to Olympic village to make ends meet.

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St Albans Dynamo's goal: the State League

By Gary Cutler

Billy Vojtek joined St Albans Dynamo at the start of the season and vowed that he would do his best to win the league.

The chairman Bozo Rados and the committee gave him their backing and neither of them has looked back since.

Vojtek has spent wisely and has now got a strong squad around him, he has bought seven players and has acquired a blend of youth and experience and along with that the making of a very useful team.

Danny Lacock was bought from Albion Rovers and this has added a lot of confidence to the defence as well as giving them a top goalkeeper. Another useful signing was Ned Batinovic from Melbourne Croatia who Vojtek described as "a player of great potential and a good striker."

With Billy Vojtek still doing an excellent job in midfield and the hard tackling Zdenko Brkljacic

to back him up, St Albans Dynamo look a good bet for promotion and will soon be pushing for a place in the State League.

Vojtek rates Brkljacic very highly and says he would hold his own in most State League sides.

The club is attracting large crowds each week, a fact that most State League clubs would like to say applied to them.

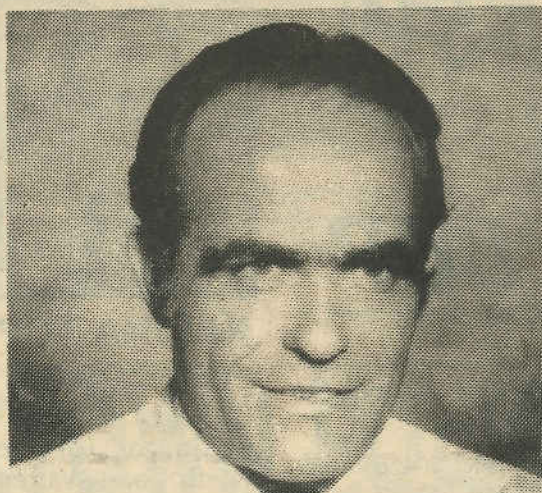
Ivan Pavlovic, a prominent member of the club said "We have a good side and we are very ambitious, we are hoping to have the backing of the local council to assist us with the improvements of the ground."

"Within the next few seasons we will be one of the best set ups in the western suburbs."

"We have had a great start to the season which is what we needed to generate interest among the large Croatian community."

"The fact that we have nine Croatians in the team also increases interest."

"A lot of ethnic clubs contain seven or eight players from the UK which is something that we do not wish to do," said Mr Pavlovic.



Ivan Pavlovic



Danny Lacock



Billy Vojtek



Ned Batinovic

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MACARTHUR WINS AT FIRST ATTEMPT

Macarthur Soccer's Association's success in the Johs. Amundsen Perpetual Trophy Tournament came before official competitions had commenced in their own district.

The new boys from the satellite city of Campbelltown and adjoining areas won the final 1-0 on corners in extra-time after they had ended up at 1-1 on goals with the A.C.T. team.

This under 13 competition, which receives entries from Victoria, Tasmania and the ACT as well as NSW, was played at Bega Sports Ground over Easter.

The final was played in light rain. Macarthur were unlucky not to have scored in the opening minute when a mix-up in the ACT defence saw the ball rolling in their goalmouth before it was cleared from the line.

Macarthur opened their

account in the 16th minute and that was the half-time score.

ACT came out much more strongly in the second half and netted an equaliser after only three minutes.

Then followed some stubborn and enthusiastic defence from both teams which resulted in a draw at fulltime.

Macarthur managed to win a corner in the seventh minute of extra time and this proved the only difference between the sides.

The hosts were the members of the Merimbula Soccer club, who generally did a good job — as witnessed by the attraction of so many

distant clubs to their competition series.

A number of good referees participated, the leading one was NSW's Doug Rennie.

However, if Merimbula intend to invite referees of such standing in future they should make sure that they are offered the standard of hospitality that could be expected.

Previous winners were Ku-Ring-Gai Assn U13 in 1981 and Northern Tasmania U14 in 1982.

The competition will be conducted in 1984, with under 14 teams participating.

Other awards made

were: Most constructive player: Robert Camponechia (Albury-Wodonga). Hardest trier: Sava Rusnir (Waverley City). Best goalkeeper: T. Jadric (Composite team). Golden Boot: Craig Bridges (Macarthur).

The results were:

GROUP 1	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
ACT	5	5	—	—	10	—	10
South Districts	5	3	1	1	13	4	7
Auburn-Wodonga	5	3	1	1	12	3	7
Composite	5	—	1	4	4	11	1
Far South Coast	5	—	1	4	22	3	1

GROUP 2	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Macarthur	5	5	—	—	17	2	10
Waverley City	5	3	—	2	11	3	6
Croftia Deakin	5	3	—	2	11	5	6
Mornington	5	3	—	2	8	7	6
Central South Coast	5	1	—	4	5	18	2
North Tasmania	5	—	—	5	1	18	—

NORTHERN NSW REPS IN CENTENARY CUP

By Keith Gilmour

Five major Associations from Northern NSW have entered the Centenary Cup for under 13 teams.

This represents a major breakthrough in linking up the divided parts of NSW — those controlled by NSW and the other handled by Northern NSW.

The Northern entrants to the tournament are Macquarie, Newcastle, Central Coast, Mid North Coast and Grafton.

Other country representatives are Western NSW, South West Slopes, Riverina, Griffith and nearby Illawarra and Macarthur.

ACT will be represented by their North and South teams and Tasmania by Northern Tasmania.

The Sydney Associations involved are Canterbury, Gladesville, Southern Districts, St George, Nepean, Manly, Sutherland A and B, Ku-Ring-Gai and Blacktown.

The Rooty Hill RSL team has been honoured by being admitted as it comes from the Blacktown As-

sociation, in whose district the games will be played.

The Centenary Cup, will be played at the Ashley Brown Ovals at Seven Hills, adjacent to the big Blacktown City Soccer Club complex.

NSW Amateur Federation secretary Rod Woods said: "I have received four entries from Queensland. Unfortunately they cannot be accommodated due to

the different school holiday periods between the two States.

"The same position applies with the Northern Territory.

"We are hoping that by next year a decision is made to bring the school semesters into the same periods, as that will mean that we will be able to welcome interstate visitors in greater numbers."

CALIFORNIA TOUR

A girls Soccer team from the Lake Macquarie district, the Bramble Steel City starlets, has been touring California.

Lake Macquarie Mayor Geoff Pasterfield gave the players books on Australia to present to their hosts.

The trip arose from a sister-city relationships with Thousand Oaks.

It never ceases to amaze how Newcastle teams get their dollars together to undertake overseas Soccer tours.

Over the past few years they must have sent as many teams away to America and Europe as the rest of the Commonwealth combined.



KADINA TOP ON COAST

Turner Cup coordinator for the North Coast Warren Bancroft regards Kadina High School as strong prospects in this year's competition for under 15 schools throughout the State.

He believes Kadina will go well in the Commonwealth Bank Cup as well.

In the past, established schools Lismore and Richmond High have had matters their own way on the Upper North Coast, but it seems matters are to change.

Whitebridge High, from a famous Soccer area just tucked into the immediate southern suburbs of Newcastle, looks set for a good year in both school cup competitions.

The Commonwealth Bank Cup team is coached by Grant Harrison, a man of vast experience in coaching.

Ian Robertson of Gateshead High may well have been the new Soccer convenor for the Hunter Region.

However he will be away in his homeland, England, throughout the second school term and so could not accept the job.

As it stands Bill Turner, the convenor for the past 16 years, is keeping an eye on proceedings until a new one can be found.

The change in name from the Tasman Cup to the Commonwealth Bank Cup has meant a need for teachers and pupils to adjust, but the message is now really getting around.



BACK ROW: L to R. D. McIntyre, S. Elliott, J. Fleeting, J. Saliba, J. Cooper.

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FRONT ROW: L to R. K. Healy, S. Xuereb, B. Bull, B. Fleeting, T. Bell.

GEOFF SMITH MEMORIAL CUP GOES TO BLACKTOWN UNITED

Some fast, skilful Soccer from the U11-1b team of Blacktown United paid dividends when they won Revesby Workers' Geoff Smith Memorial Cup.

The win was all the more meritorious as Blacktown had five boys left from last year's team and seven recruits.

The boys had only three games together before the knockout, which was played nine minutes each way increasing to 15 minutes each way for the final.

United defeated APIA 4-0 in the first round, lost to North Rocks 1-0 in the second, and in the quarter-final they ended up with one goal and two corners to Greystanes' one goal and one corner.

The semi-final was closer still. The score ended at Blacktown 1 goal, 1 corner and 2 behinds to Fairfield-Cabramatta's 1 goal, 1 corner and 1 behind.

North Rocks went into the final with an undefeated record. Although the contest went to extra-time it was only the Rocks' goalkeeper who kept the scoring down.

Final count was Blacktown United 1, North Rocks 0.

NSW SELECTS YOUTH SIDE

NSW Youth coach Vic Renkovetsky has produced an extremely well-balanced side that will do the State proud in the National Youth Championships in Canberra from May 18 to 22.

The final squad of 16 is drawn from 11 clubs and from a cross section of clubs in the Sydney area.

Of the 16, 11 are from last year's squad and five are newcomers.

The players are: Paul Andrikopoulos (Canterbury-Marrickville), Harry Ree (Sydney City), Brett Thornthwaite (Blacktown City), Tony Danas-kos (St George), Geoff Biscaya capt. (St George),

BELMORE GIRLS EXCEL

The Belmore U16 girls team has chalked up an excellent record over the past three seasons in the Canterbury District.

In 1980 they were undefeated as U15 minor and major premiers. They won the round robin and scored 107 and conceded five.

They were still U15s for the next season, again taking minor and major honours. The grand final was drawn 0-0 and Belmore won the replay 4-2.

Last season they won the U16 major premiership with a 43-7 goal record.

They were again taken to a replay, which they won 1-0 after drawing the grand

final 1-1.

Belmore sometimes played without a full team due to injuries or studies, and that makes their achievement all the more remarkable.

Pictured are, Back row L to R: T. Pritchard (coach), R. Koutoulas, M. Jones, L. Bassegia, S. Schauten, J. Healy, S. Pritchard, R. Tigani (manager). Sitting: A. Bryce, S. Pirie, L. Dinallo, L. Rashich, C. Pritchard. — Helen Saad.



THANK YOU!

Our appeal for stories and photographs (particularly black and white) brought a marvellous response.

We have printed as much as possible this week, but please excuse us having to carry over so many good features until next week.

However, we expect to jump from two to three pages of junior news next Tuesday. Our aim is to do justice to the junior game in all States... so please keep all your news coming to ASW, P.O. Box 406, Broadway, 2007 NSW.

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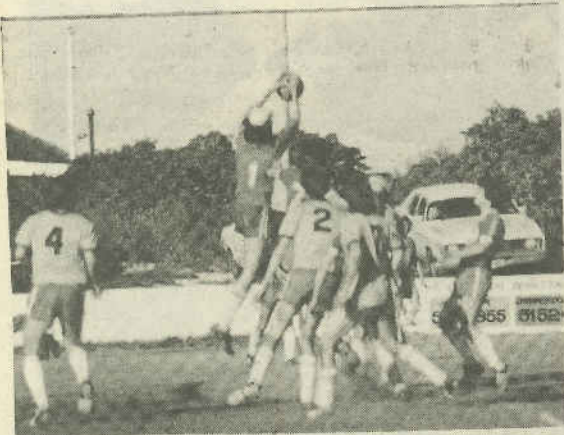
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The May school holidays will present hundreds of junior players throughout Australia with the chance to attend one of the excellent camps which are set up to help youngsters improve their soccer knowledge and skills. Our picture shows one such group in Sydney. Pick out the coaches on duty. They are from left Chris James, Dave Percy, Ron Svarc, Vic Dalglish and Greg Ankudinoff.



There seems to be no love lost in this clash between Panania RSL (dark strip) and a St Andrews Eastwood player in an under 18 State Cup final at Seymour Shaw Park. The ball has spun away towards goal whilst the players are still locked together.



The first round of the NSW Amateur Cup, Robertson Cup (under 21), and the NSW State Cups for under 18, 16 and 14 players kicks off at the beginning of May. Pictured is a shot from the 1982 State Cup under 18 final. The Panania RSL goalkeeper goes high to gain possession above a group of St Andrews Eastwood attacks, whilst Panania (light shirts) cover up. St Andrews ran out 6-0 winners at Seymour Shaw Park Miranda, home of the Sutherland Shire Soccer sharks.

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**SERDERON THE
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PRIZE**



The goalkeeper goes for the ball as the attacker gets his shot away in spite of some close attention in this junior representative match in Sydney between Ku-ring-gai and Manly-Warringah at Asquith Park. On this occasion the Seasideers ran out 2-1 winners.

— Photo Anthony Mobbs

BLACKTOWN FOLK HELP OUT

Blacktown Soccer Football Association has over 5,000 players this year in 440 teams.

Association secretary Albert Lobley advises that the numbers are similar to 1982, which means there has been no drop-off in an area that has experienced the brunt of the current economic circumstances.

Mr Lobley said that Blacktown is prepared to look at any financial problem where families involved with teams are finding things hard. The local clubs adopted the same understanding attitude.

"It seems that it takes hard times to bring the best out of people," he said.

"Representative team costs are a problem but, for example, we try to pay fares for trips for the Youth teams to places like Gosford.

"Help comes from all sides. One lot of parents offered to return track suits to us so they could be passed on to current representative players who are in need."

Blacktown City has invited the Association to discuss matters of mutual interest, which is a good move for the players of the Demons' district.

FREE COACHING FOR FIVE SYDNEY YOUNGSTERS

In a fine gesture the Sydney City Junior Soccer club has offered five youngsters in the 8-13 age bracket a week's free coaching at Sydney Cricket GroundNo2 during the May school holidays.

The winners will be the first five letter applications from the Sydney Metropolitan area received in the mail and opened at AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY.

The idea stemmed from the club's coaching director Roy Thomas. He will be assisted by Mick Evans and three outstanding men.

Both supervising coaches have their Australian coaching badges.

There will be 100 chil-

dren of the 260 who play for Sydney City in the sessions. The normal cost is \$30 per boy.

Coaching runs from Monday May 9 to Friday May 13 from 9am to 3pm, with drinks and chips provided.

It is a first-rate idea to run the school there. Sydney City Juniors are to be congratulated on their enterprise.

Entries should state the player's full name, address, and telephone number if any.

The winners' names will be published in AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY'S Junior section and their entries will be passed on to the Sydney City Junior Soccer club.

SCHEINFLUG KICKS OFF

National coach Les Scheinflug did the honours by kicking off for the first official junior match played in the new Macarthur Association. The match featured teams from Camden, as the oldest club in the district, and Eskill Park, the newest club.

KEITH GILMOUR'S JUNIOR SCENE

SIX FOR CAMP

Six lucky local players have been sponsored to the Manly coaching camp during the first week of the May school holidays at Cromer Park.

They can thank Humphreys Newsagency at Manly for the chance to attend the series, which will be conducted by Richard

Alagich, with assistance from other fine coaches, including Australian Coach of the Year for 1982, Frank Arok of St George.

The boys are Cameron Strath, Scott McRae, Viken Keledjian, John Burkett, Dallas Stenning and Luke Hartman.

NSW "ATTACK" YOUTH LEAGUE

ROUND 6

	U/13	U/14	U/15	U/16
GROUP A				
St George v Ku-ring-gai	3-0	3-1	1-1	1-1
Manly v Central Coast	0-1	3-1	2-4	Def.
Canterbury v Blacktown Assn.	2-3	4-0	1-2	5-0
Melita v Granville	2-1	0-6	2-3	Mel.
Auburn, bye				

GROUP B				
Sutherland v Southern Dists.	5-1	0-4	4-1	0-2
Croatia v Polonia	1-0	0-3	0-3	0-1
Sydney City v N. Bankstown	1-2	3-0	3-0	5-3
APIA v Gladesville	0-1	4-1	1-0	4-0
Illawarra, bye				

GROUP C				
Marconi v Blacktown City	0-0	4-2	2-1	Def.
Sydney Gl. v Canterbury	3-1	3-0	4-2	2-2
Avala v Baulkham Hills	3-2	1-4	1-1	3-1
Bankstown v Macarthur	B'nk	3-1	4-0	3-0
Nepean, bye				

(ANZAC DAY ROUND 7 TO BE INCLUDED NEXT WEEK)

METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

ROUND 1

	U10	U11	U12	
Ku-Ring-Gai v Manly				3-0
Central Coast v Bankstown				2-1
St George v South & Eastern				1-3
Canterbury v Nepean				1-5
Granville v Gladesville				3-1
Blacktown v Sutherland				3-2
Southern Dists v Illawarra				2-4

U13:
GROUP A: Central Coast 10, St George 9, Auburn 9, Blacktown Assn 8, Ku-Ring-Gai 7, Manly 6, Melita 4, Granville 3, Canterbury 2.
GROUP B: Illawarra 11, Gladesville 10, Polonia 8, Sutherland 8, Southern Dists 7, Croatia 7, Nth Bankstown 5, APIA 4, Sydney City 0.
GROUP C: Sydney Olympic 12, Bankstown 9, Nepean 9, Blacktown City 7, Avala 6, Canterbury-Marr. 4, Baulkham Hills 4, Marconi 3.

U14:
GROUP A: Granville 9, Manly 9, Canterbury 9, St George 8, Auburn 7, Ku-Ring-Gai 6, Central Coast 5, Blacktown Assn 3, Melita 2.
GROUP B: Southern Dists 12, Sutherland 10, APIA 10, Polonia 7, Illawarra 7, Gladesville 5, Sydney City 4, Croatia 3, Nth Bankstown 2.
GROUP C: Sydney Olympic 9, Nepean 7, Canterbury-Marr 7, Marconi 7, Bankstown 7, Baulkham Hills 6, Blacktown City 5, Avala 3, Macarthur 1.

U15:
GROUP A: Granville 12, Auburn 10, St George 7, Ku-Ring-Gai 7, Canterbury 6, Central Coast 5, Blacktown Assn 5, Manly 3, Melita 3.
GROUP B: APIA 11, Polonia 10, Sutherland 10, Illawarra 9, Southern Dists 5, Gladesville 4, Croatia 4, Sydney City 4, Nth Bankstown 3.
GROUP C: Sydney Olympic 10, Avala 9, Marconi 9, Baulkham Hills 7, Nepean 6, Blacktown City 5, Canterbury-Marr 4, Macarthur 2, Bankstown 2.

U16:
GROUP A: St George 9, Canterbury 9, Ku-Ring-Gai 8, Auburn 8, Central Coast 6, Manly 5, Blacktown Assn 4, Melita 3.
GROUP B: APIA 12, Southern Dists 9, Sutherland 8, Illawarra 8, Gladesville 7, North Bankstown 4, Croatia 3, Polonia 2.
GROUP C: Sydney Olympic 11, Avala 9, Canterbury-Marr 8, Nepean 6, Baulkham Hills 5, Marconi 5, Bankstown 4, Blacktown City 3, Macarthur 1.

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AUSTRALIAN CHIT-CHAT

Another week could see Socceroo and West Adelaide goalkeeper Martyn Crook back on the training track.

After exploratory surgery on a damaged cartilage, he was told a major operation would not be needed if he gave the knee complete rest.

Crook has done that, walking only when necessary, and taking time off work.

"I should be able to get back on the track by the end of the month," he said.

★ ★ ★

Brisbane City coach Jim Hermiston was beginning to despair until that 1-0 win in Adelaide over NSL leaders West.

First, there was the fiasco in Sydney when their games were rained off although the referee said the ground was playable; then in the postponed Cup match with Marconi on the Friday night the lights went out — with Brisbane leading 1-0.

Marconi went on to win 3-2.

Hermiston and his men then flew to Adelaide to



Robbie Dunn.

meet West after being told they had a 2 p.m. kick-off but West had not been told, so the Gladiators had to hang around until the usual 2.30 start.

But that win made up for everything, and Hermiston boarded the bus to the airport with the largest of grins.

West Adelaide's ranks look thin if injuries strike in numbers.

Only Tim Brown and David Doorne, both youngsters, in the reserve team have had any NSL experience.

Already Graham Honeyman and Ian McGregor are carrying ankle and foot injuries, and centre back Robbie Dunn is playing with a right wrist taped.

★ ★ ★

The Socceroos were not the only team using Sydney's Camperdown Travelodge as a training base last week.

Cuba's water polo players also stayed there. Australian coach Frank Arok, admiring the massive physique of one of the Cubans at lunch, said: "I wonder if I can persuade him to play striker against England."

★ ★ ★

Tommy Docherty has extended the olive branch to Les Scheinflug with an apology for certain statements he made in the past.

When Rudi Gutendorf quit as national coach, The Doc said Scheinflug should have resigned with Rudi. Docherty was also less than kind to Scheinflug this season with certain statements.

At a recent meeting of coaches, The Doc was big enough to get on his feet and publicly say "sorry" to Les. The gesture was much appreciated.

★ ★ ★

With so much speculation about who will, or will not, be in the England squad touring Australia next month, national coach Les Scheinflug made the following comment:

"England could select 10 teams of equal strength because they have so many players of a similar standard."

What England lacks, of course, is individual brilliance — genuine world class superstars.

★ ★ ★

Although Marconi have said they're willing to transfer Socceroo goalkeeper Allan Maher, there have been no offers.

"The transfer market is dead at the moment," explained coach Doug Collins, "and when you look around, there are not many teams desperately needing a goalkeeper."

★ ★ ★

It's an ill wind that does nobody any good — or is it? After Sydney City's game against Saints was rained off, the players of both teams trudged sadly back home. But the Slickers Alex Robertson ran

into another mishap. His car failed to start in the big wet and Alex had to get help from a mate to get home.

★ ★ ★

Olympic's brilliant young star Jim Patikas is getting ready for his assault on Mexico and the World Youth Cup Finals in more ways than one. The bold Jim is growing a Zapata moustache. When the Young Socceroos line-up against Mexico in the opening game, they could mistake James for one of their own — maybe!

★ ★ ★

Marin Alagich, the driving force with Yugal Soccer club in Sydney for so many years, is back at his duties with the Ethnic Affairs

Council. He is looking particularly fit after recovering from a major operation and a very serious illness.

★ ★ ★

Bill Amey, currently with West Adelaide at the top of the NSW, played last season with Newcastle's Austral United. Bill must be familiar with more of Australia than most of us. He has also appeared at Townsville, Newcastle KB and Blacktown City.

David Kamasz, who played in Northern NSW with Weston Bears and Edgeworth Eagles, is now with Adelaide Azzurri. He has also played in Western Australia. David is a brother of National Soccer League general manager Steve Kamasz.

Women in Soccer

An unprecedented number of applicants for the position of senior State coach for the NSW women's Soccer Federation was received when nominations closed.

In past years the job was relatively easy to decide with one and possibly two applicants applying for the position.

This year, however, four coaches submitted their names for consideration to the committee with each having had experience with women's soccer teams.

The four applicants were Peter Grabavac, a former Western Australian now based in Sutherland, Alan Lytton, a successful coach with the St George association, Mike Speed, the State coach from last year and Garry Chamberlain, who has now moved to Sydney from Northern NSW where he was the understudy to Lionel Sneyd, the Northern NSW State girls' coach.

In a ballot conducted by the NSW Federation, the choice was narrowed to two candidates with Alan Lytton being elected.

Alan first started his association with women's football in Ireland when his girlfriend approached him to take over her team midway through the season when the coach had been transferred in his job.

The team was a second division group called Ballyfermot United which played on Saturday mornings. As Alan played in the afternoons, he thought it would be a bit of fun to coach.

In one year, Lytton brought them from second

By Don Balmain

division status to the final of the first division.

Having been given glowing reports on Australia's weather and being very adverse to Ireland's cold climate, Alan and Therese, his girlfriend, emigrated to Australia in 1974.

Originally they had intended to settle in Perth but Therese had relatives in Newcastle and from over in Ireland, they thought that Newcastle was just down the street from Sydney.

They stayed in Newcastle for two weeks before moving to Sydney permanently.

Lytton joined the Bondi Marines, a group of expatriot UK players, who were a top amateur side but with no aspirations to go any further.

Alan played fullback, centre half and inside right before a serious ankle injury forced him to stop playing.

Alan began to show interest in women's soccer in Sydney when his girlfriend, Therese, started to come down to some of his team's training sessions and it became known that she had played in Ireland.

One of the Bondi players put her in touch with the secretary of the NSW women's Soccer Association and she joined the St George club.

Alan thought that the St George girls were quite impressive and just as skilful as the girls back home. However, they lacked the enthusiasm of the Irish

girls, who lived and talked about nothing else but soccer.

Lytton helped train the St George team until they disbanded and reformed as the Marconi-Fairfield team where he had continued success with them.

In 1980 he formed the Arncliffe Scots women's team and became the St George representative team coach the same year.

His team was the premiers of the St George Association for three years and won the 1982 teams championship.

He coached the St George side to win the State Championship in 1981 and the NSW representative competition in 1982.

Asked how much can be put down to his coaching and the girls' natural ability in his championship wins, Lytton said that he came from a football background where they lived and breathed soccer every day and he had a lot of football experience to fall back on in his coaching.

If he had a team just out of mid-air rather than the talent that he had had to work with, Alan said that it was hard to say what would be the result. Even the best of coaches, if they do not have the talent to work with, are not going to do much anyway.

Lytton said that there are coaches who are experts in developing basic skills, yet, given a top side they fall away.

A coach like Tommy Docherty on the other hand, can have the top talent and get the best out of them.



Women's Soccer is rapidly spreading in Europe. This photo is from the recent Germany v Belgium international.

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READERS' FORUM

In this spot every week, we shall publish extracts from readers' letters — good or bad! If you want your opinions aired, please keep letters and postcards short and to the point.
Write to The Editor, AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY, 261 Broadway, NSW 2007.

I cannot understand why the Australian Soccer Federation did not accept the ABC's demands to have the right to televise our International Soccer. Let's face it, they would have given us a better deal than we are getting from Channel Seven.

If Soccer in this country is going to grow and improve we have to gain better exposure on television and we are not getting this with Channel Seven where only the avid fan will watch his sport at 11 o'clock at night.

This year, the NSW Rugby League dumped the ABC who were televising the League's Saturday match live to over 100 stations throughout Australia.

Why couldn't Soccer step in here to offer a NSL match to be televised live each Saturday? This match could be broadcast throughout the national network except in the city where the match is being played (to help ensure a reasonable crowd?)

It is time Soccer gave away the commercial networks because they will only be interested in Soccer when it is the biggest sport in this country.

The ABC gives all sports unbiased and fair coverage and the exposure they have given sports such as basketball, lawn bowls and baseball have increased their popularity greatly.

Soccer administrators should accept the demands of the ABC for the sake of the game. Young Soccer players will never know the names of our national team players if they never see them!

Ian Belgre,
Lavington, NSW.

As a youngster living outside the major Soccer capitals, I can see the problems that young people are having relating with the stars of the NSW.

However, upon purchasing the April 13th issue of ASW, I found many more photos of players than I expected. These photos were close up and very clear and most importantly they were action shots of NSL players. I must congratulate and thank ASW for these as it has been noticeable that overseas magazines have had an advantage over Aussie papers because of our lack of photos.

These foreign papers show the "foreign" stars close up, their styles, physique and what they wear and therefore we can relate to foreign stars, purely because we don't know who from whom of our stars.

This has clearly been missing from Australian papers but I hope now ASW will take the initiative and continue with these fine attractive shots of OUR Soccer and OUR stars. Well done.

David Mower,
Albury NSW.



It might be a coach demonstrating to kids how to get accuracy by shooting with the side of the foot. In fact, this is Roberto Bettega scoring a European Cup goal for Juventus against Widzew Lodz in Turin.

CONTROVERSIAL SCHUSTER GIVEN A REPRIEVE

Compiled by
John Economos

Midfielder Bernd Schuster is a surprise selection in the West German squad for the European championship matches against Austria and Turkey.

Coach Jupp Derwall named a squad of 22 players. Many of the players, including West German skipper, Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, had demanded that Schuster be dropped from

the national squad after the player withdrew at the last moment from the German team before they met Albania last month in Tirana. But Derwall, still seeking a solid replacement for

World Cup veteran, Paul Breitner in the midfield, decided to give Schuster another crack. The temperamental Schuster plays for FC Barcelona.



Rossi celebrates

NYILASI STARS

Hungary, when they hammered Luxembourg 6-2 in Budapest for the second time within a month, maintained their challenge for a place in next year's European Championship Finals in France.

The Hungarian skipper, Tibby Nyilasi, was Hungary's inspiration with his promptings from the midfield as well as scoring two of the goals with free-kicks. Hungary trail Group 3 leaders, England by two points, but they have two games in hand.

WHAT A CROWD!

There was a crowd of 75,000 in Sao Paulo to see Santos - Pele's old club - beat Palmeiras 1-nil, with Serginho scoring the only goal.

Socrates, another World Cup star, rescued Corinthians by getting the equaliser against Goias in their one all draw.

JUVENTUS IN CUP FINAL

After a trouble-torn 2-2 draw against Widzew Lodz of Poland, Juventus reached the final of the European Cup and they will meet crack German side Hamburg SV.

Juventus, after being 2-0 up from the first leg of this semi-final, moved further ahead through World Cup striker, Paolo Rossi in the 33rd minute.

Ten minutes into the second half, Lodz pulled a goal back through Surlit, and then the match was delayed for 20 minutes after one of the linesmen was struck by a bottle from the terraces.

Police detained a youth and the match was restarted.

Lodz scored again 10 minutes from fulltime, and again the scorer was Surlit.

Juventus then scored when French World Cup captain, Michael Platini, slotted a penalty in the 83rd minute.

CZECH ROMP

Two goals from Vizek and two more from Danek, shattered Cypriot hearts in Czechoslovakia's 6-nil European Championship victory against Cyprus in Prague.

Other Czech goals were supplied by Jurkemik and Prokes.

CROWDS DOWN

The latest crowd figures confirm the enormous disparity between the top and bottom clubs in the Bundesliga.

Only three clubs can boast average attendances of more than 30,000 — Bayern Munich, Schalke and Borussia Dortmund.

Champions Hamburg SV are only sixth with average gates of 23,281.

Nine clubs report crowds below the 20,000 mark, in many cases fewer than they need to break even.

Hamburg's low crowd figures are even more surprising as they are favourites to retain their title.

The long-awaited duel with Bayern Munich recently drew a capacity 61,000 crowd. The 1-all draw still leaves the title race wide open.

POLES IN A HOLE

When Poland struggled to a 1-all draw with Finland in Warsaw, they left themselves with a tough task to qualify from Group Two in the European Championships.

Smolarek gave Poland a quick lead from the penalty spot after Boniek was tripped in the box in only the second minute.

The 60,000 crowd in the huge 10th Anniversary Stadium had little more to cheer about.

The Poles conceded an own goal three minutes later and the fans were whistling their disapproval by the end.

Polish defender, Pawel Janas, under strong pressure near his own goal, misdirected a back-pass past the hands of his goalkeeper, Jozef Mlynarczyk for the equaliser.

FRANCIS HITS TARGET

English international forward Trevor Francis demonstrated on Sunday that he has completely recovered from the injury which kept him out of action for most of this season.

Playing for Sampdoria against Udinese in the Italian first division, Francis cracked a hat-trick in his team's 4-0 away win.

Another import, France's World Cup captain Michel Platini was also on target in the Catanzaro v Juventus match. Platini scored both Juventus goals as the Turin side overcame a 1-0 deficit to finish 2-1 victors.

But Juventus are still outsiders to win the title. Top dogs in Italy right now are AS Roma, even though they could only draw 0-0 with Inter Milan.

Roma are three points ahead of second-placed Juventus

POLAND	
Wid Lodz - Leg Warsaw	2-1
Po Szczecin - SKS Katowice	6-0
Gwa Warsaw - LKS Lodz	2-0
Ru Chorzow - Gorn Zab	1-1
Cra Krak - Wis K'ow	2-1
Za S'wiec - Lech Poz	0-0
Slask W'law - Szom Bytom	2-1
Stal Miel - Bal Gdynia	0-0

W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ru Chorzow	9	8	4	26	14
Po S'zecin	9	7	5	35	19
Lech Poz	11	3	7	29	21
Wid Lodz	7	10	3	29	24
Slask W'law	9	4	8	25	21

SWITZERLAND	
Basle - S Gallen	2-2
Bulle - Vevey	1-5
Lausanne - Xamax	1-0
Lucerne - G'hoppers	2-3
Servette - Aarau	1-0
Wettingen - Sion	1-1
Young Boys - B'zona	2-0
Fc Zurich - W'thur	4-1

W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Servette	17	2	3	46	36
G'hoppers	17	1	4	64	35
Lausanne	12	4	6	41	28
S Gallen	12	3	7	46	27
Fc Zurich	12	3	7	41	27
Lucerne	11	3	8	49	25
Neuchatel	10	5	7	39	25
Young Boys	9	7	6	27	29

HOLLAND	
Hel Sport - Fortuna	1-1
Utrecht - Ajax	0-2
Willem II - Haarlem	4-3
AZ '67 - Nac Breda	3-3
Roda JC - Exc'ldam	1-2
Pec Zwo - Sp R'dam	0-3
Twente - PSV	3-1
Nec N'gen - G'nningen	2-2
F'noord - Go Ahead	1-1

W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ajax	24	5	2	93	53
F'noord	20	9	2	63	49
PSV	19	9	3	77	47
G'nningen	9	15	7	57	33
Sp R'dam	10	12	9	58	32

ITALY	
A'fino - Pisa	1-0
C'liari - Cesena	0-0
C'zaro - Juventus	1-2
F'tina - Ascoli	1-0
Genoa - Napoli	0-0
Inter - Roma	0-0
Torino - Verona	1-1
Udinese - S'doria	0-4

W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Roma	14	10	3	41	22
Juventus	13	9	5	43	21
Inter	10	13	4	35	21
F'tina	11	9	7	34	23
Verona	10	11	6	33	29

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KEEGAN — ROBSON STILL NOT FRIENDS

The rift between Kevin Keegan and England manager Bobby Robson will be hard to heal.

When Robson selected Keegan for an England XI to play Middlesbrough on May 17, the player said he was not available because about that time, his club, Newcastle United would be leaving for a tour of the Far East.

When Robson dropped Keegan from his England squad early this season, Keegan vowed he would never play for Robson again.

Keegan's comment last week was: "The fact that Bobby Robson has picked a team for this May 17 match does not mean a thing to me."

The match, to be played at Middlesbrough's Ayresome Park ground, is for the benefit fund of two former Middlesbrough "greats" Wilf Mannion and George Hardwick.



Keegan under fire

MELIA'S SOAP OPERA!

Brighton's Jimmy Melia has hit the headlines since taking over the struggling seaside club — in fact he's now a local hero.

It is assumed that Joe Fagan will take over from Bobby Paisley as Liverpool manager — but trainer Ron Moran could be a surprise choice.

Melia, though, hasn't forgotten the kicks he had to take a few years ago. He was sacked by clubs like Crewe Alexandra and Aldershot,

and a club boss can't get much further down the scale than that. Melia still laughs about one "important" matter on the agenda at

a Crewe Board meeting. There was a discussion about the cost of soap... because the players were seemingly using too much

Aberdeen's 5-1 win over Belgium's Waterschei at Pittodrie was inspired by Eric Black, the youngster who will face Australia when Scotland meets the Youth Socceros in Mexico in June.

Black scored Aberdeen's first goal after one minute 22 seconds!

Sporting comment from Waterschei coach Ernst Kunnecke after the huge defeat: "The score was a fair reflection of Aberdeen's ability."



HILL WEARS A NEW CAP

Jimmy Hill used to be a big union man when he was chairman of England's Professional Footballers Association — but he seems to have changed.

As chairman of Coventry City and presenter of TV's "Match of the Day," Hill is deeply concerned about the financial crisis now threatening the sport.

Off his own bat, Hill called a meeting of club chairmen to discuss the many problems in English football — and he didn't invite the big shots from the Football Association or Football League.

One of the most contentious questions on the meeting agenda was: Wages and costs — can we reduce them?

A strange departure for Jimmy Hill, the man who



JIMMY HILL

battled so long to get more money into the pockets of players.

GARY WANTS HIS CHANCE

Gary Rowell is hoping desperately that England's dearth of goalscoring forwards will give him his international chance.

The last time the Sunderland star represented England was in 1979 against Finland in an Under 21 match. Since then, he has been ignored — despite pleas from Sunderland fans to give him a go in an England jersey.

McGARVEY — SCOTLAND'S FORGOTTEN MAN

Frank McGarvey of Celtic made his Scottish international debut three years ago — and was in the side which copped a 3-1 hiding from Argentina. Since then, McGarvey has not figured in the plans of Scotland team manager Jock Stein.

That's a pity because McGarvey, who didn't make the grade when he moved to England to play for Liverpool, has been playing consistently for Celtic.

In fact, some good judges claim McGarvey is the man responsible for bringing out the great talents of Celtic team-mate Charlie Nicholas.

As Nicholas said: "It's so easy to play alongside Frank McGarvey. He puts so much into his game and you can be sure he will always be there to support you. His ability is outstanding and he takes all the bumps and thumps. Frank has taught me a lot."

McGarvey's big target now is a return to the Scottish international side.

BLACKBURN'S BLACK DAY



TERRY GENNOE

Crowd violence rears its ugly head again at Blackburn.

In the match against Burnley, both teams had to leave the field when a smoke bomb was thrown. Blackburn goalkeeper Terry Gennoe was hit on the head by a bottle and fans threw slates from the stand roof on to spectators.

Play was held up for 16 minutes before police with dogs restored order

Southampton's centre-half Mark Wright was the star turn in England's Under 21 win (2-1) against Greece at Portsmouth. England team manager Bobby Robson, who watched the match, said Wright looked a certain future international. Although the match was disappointing, it was a big night for Southampton because, in addition to Wright's fine display, both England goals were scored by Danny Wallace — another Southampton kid, seen here during the 1981 World Youth Cup.



UNITED CHASE BRADY

Manchester United are optimistic that they'll have brilliant Irishman Liam Brady at Old Trafford next season.

Brady is ready to leave Italian club Sampdoria and he says: "I'd love to become a United player. They're still the number one club and the thought of playing in front of that great crowd is appealing."

United tried to get Brady twice before — and failed twice.

UK Soccer tables

ENGLISH DIV 1															
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Liverpool	38	16	3	1	54	15	81	Hull	43	14	7	1	46	12	55
Watford	38	12	3	3	45	18	64	Wimbledon	41	15	4	2	48	23	63
Man Utd	38	12	7	3	34	9	59	Port Vale	41	14	4	2	34	12	50
Aston Villa	38	15	2	2	41	14	61	Bury	43	14	4	3	41	17	55
Tottenham	38	11	4	4	31	16	46	Colchester	42	15	5	1	47	18	63
Stoke	38	12	4	2	42	14	57	York	42	17	3	1	54	18	58
Southampton	38	13	4	3	34	18	56	Scunthorpe	40	11	6	3	34	15	49
Southampton	38	11	4	3	33	17	47	Swindon	41	11	3	5	38	21	46
West Ham	37	12	3	4	38	20	51	Mansfield	41	10	5	6	26	23	46
Everton	38	11	5	2	39	18	44	Peterborough	40	11	6	4	32	20	55
Ipswich	38	10	3	6	35	20	41	Torquay	40	11	3	6	34	25	54
Arsenal	37	10	6	3	33	18	44	Stockport	43	11	8	3	41	29	54
Nottingham	38	9	5	5	27	16	41	Chester	42	8	5	8	27	22	45
W.B.A.	38	9	5	5	33	20	41	Halifax	41	8	6	6	28	21	46
Notts C	39	10	4	5	33	23	43	Bristol C	42	9	7	5	28	22	46
Coveントリー	38	10	5	4	27	12	45	Northampton	43	10	8	5	43	29	46
Sunderland	37	7	8	3	26	17	44	Blackpool	42	9	8	4	27	20	46
Luton	37	7	6	6	33	28	44	Aldershot	42	9	5	7	32	33	45
Man City	39	9	5	5	25	21	40	Tranmere	42	8	5	7	25	28	44
Birmingham	38	8	6	5	26	23	40	Darlington	41	6	5	9	20	24	40
Brighton	38	8	7	5	25	21	39	Rochdale	41	10	7	3	33	19	44
Swansea	38	9	3	6	29	24	37	Crewe	43	9	5	7	35	29	41
								Hartlepool	42	10	5	6	28	20	41
								Hereford	42	7	6	8	18	22	38

ENGLISH DIV 2															
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Q.P.R.	37	14	3	2	46	16	78	Dundee U	33	12	4	1	53	18	50
Wolves	38	13	4	2	39	14	70	Celtic	33	11	3	3	42	18	49
Fulham	38	12	5	3	34	20	66	Aberdeen	31	12	0	4	36	12	46
Leeds	38	11	2	6	36	15	64	Rangers	32	8	6	2	26	12	34
Newcastle	38	12	6	2	24	20	66	S. M'rran	32	7	5	5	28	17	29
Leeds	37	7	8	2	23	16	66	Hibernian	32	3	10	2	20	15	28
Oldham	39	8	10	2	37	22	55	Dundee	32	7	3	5	26	23	27
Shrewsbury	38	8	8	3	19	13	55	Motherwell	32	8	3	5	26	24	24
Barnsley	38	9	7	3	27	23	54	Morton	32	4	4	8	14	20	20
Sheff Wed	37	7	8	4	29	21	53								
Blackburn	38	9	6	3	34	20	50								
Cambridge	38	10	7	2	24	13	44								
Gillingham	38	9	6	4	31	23	44								
Carlisle	38	9	4	4	40	25	43								
Derby	38	5	10	4	24	24	43								
Middlesbrough	38	7	7	5	25	28	43								
Charlton	38	10	2	6	33	26	43								
Crystal P	37	9	7	3	26	16	42								
Bolton	38	10	1	8	30	25	42								
Sheff Utd	38	8	5	5	29	20	41								
Cheltenham	39	5	7	8	19	28	40								
Rotherham	39	5	7	8	19	28	40								
Burnley	36	9	3	7	35	22	36								

ENGLISH DIV 3															
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Huddersfield	42	14	7	1	54	17	78	Brechin	36	12	4	2	44	16	51
Portsmouth	41	14	3	3	38	17	78	Meadowbank	36	13	2	3	37	17	51
Cardiff	42	15	5	1	40	13	75	Arbroath	36	12	4	2	37	19	45
Newport	42	12	6	3	35	19	70	Forfar	36	8	8	2	30	15	45
Bristol R.	42	15	3	3	33	20	71	Stirling A.	36	11	5	2	32	16	45
Lincoln	42	16	0	5	51	20	69	East Fife	36	7	5	6	31	20	38
Oxford	41	10	9	1	38	21	68	Queen of Sth	36	9	4	3	31	24	37
Sheff Utd	41	15	3	4	42	18	61	Cowden	35	9	4	4	31	24	34
Plymouth	42	15	1	5	36	21	61	Berwick	36	6	6	4	24	29	34
Brentford	42	12	4	5	46	26	58	Albion R.	36	9	2	8	27	22	30
Southend	42	10	7	4	39	25	58	Stranraer	36	8	2	8	27	22	30
Walsall	41	13	4	4	35	18	56	E. Stirling	36	4	3	11	18	34	22
Bournemouth	42	11	5	5	31	16	54	Montrose	36	5	1	11	16	30	21
Bradford	41	9	7	4	34	23	54								
Gillingham	42	10	4	7	33	29	54								
Wigan	42	11	5	3	33	30	54								
Wrexham	42	11	5	5	38	23	54								
Preston	42	9	10	2	32	17	48								
Exeter	42	10	4	7	42	40	47								
Orient	42	8	5	7	35	35	47								
Reading	42	8	5	7	35	35	47								
Millwall	41	10	7	4	37	24	45								
Doncaster	42	6	8	7	37	39	37								
Chesterfield	42	6	6	9	28	26	36								

ENGLISH DIV 4															
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hull	43	14	7	1	46	12	55	St Johnstone	36	16	1	1	33	10	55
Wimbledon	41	15	4	2	48	23	63	Hearts	36	12	3	4	31	17	49
Port Vale	41	14	4	2	34	12	50	Clydebank	36	8	6	4	30	24	47
Bury	43	14	4	3	41	17	55	Partick	36	9	6	3	31	22	47
Colchester	42	15	5	1	47	18	63	Aberdeen	36	9	6	3	31	22	47
York	42	17	3	1	54	18	58	Alloa	36	8	6	5	30	20	46
Scunthorpe	40	11	6	3	34	15	49	Falkirk	36	7	2	8	17	19	37
Swindon	41	11	3	5	38	21	46	Rathfriland	36	8	2	8	30	27	36
Mansfield	41	10	5	6	26	23	46	Dumbarton	36	8	2	8	30	27	36
Peterborough	40	11	6	4	32	20	55	Clyde	36	7	1	10	26	33	41
Torquay	40	11	3	6	34	25	54	Hamilton	36	6	6	7	23	31	41
Stockport	43	11	8	3	41	29	54	Dumfries	36	6	6	7	23	31	41
Chester	42	8	5	8	27	22	45	Argyll	36	7	4	7	18	28	39
Halifax	41	8	6	6	28	21	46	Queens Park	36	3	6	9	23	36	33
Bristol C	42	9	7	5	28	22	46								
Northampton	43	10	8	5	43	29	46								
Blackpool	42	9	8	4	27	20	46								
Aldershot	42	9	5	7	32	33	45								
Tranmere	42	8	5	7	25	28	44								
Darlington	41	6	5	9	20	24	40								
Rochdale	41	10	7	3	33	19	44								
Crewe	43	9	5	7	35	29	41								
Hartlepool	42	10	5	6	28	20	41								
Hereford	42	7	6	8	18	22	38								

SCOTTISH PREM DIV															
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Dundee U	33	12	4	1	53	18	50	St Johnstone	36	16	1	1	33	10	55
Celtic	33	11	3	3	42	18	49	Hearts	36	12	3	4	31	17	49
Aberdeen	31	12	0	4	36	12	46	Clydebank	36	8	6	4	30	24	47
Rangers	32	8	6	2	26	12	34	Partick	36	9	6	3	31	22	47
S. M'rran	32	7	5	5	28	17	29	Aberdeen	36	9	6	3	31	22	47
Hibernian	32	3	10	2	20	15	28	Alloa	36	8	6	5	30	20	46
Dundee	32	7	3	5	26	23	27	Falkirk	36	7	2	8	17	19	37
Motherwell	32	8	3	5	26	24	24	Rathfriland	36	8	2	8	30	27	36
Morton	32	4	4	8	14	20	20	Dumbarton	36	8	2	8	30	27	36
Kilmarnock	32	3	5	7	14	23	40	Clyde	36	7	1	10	26	33	41
								Hamilton	36	6	6	7	23	31	41
								Dumfries	36	6	6	7	23	31	41

SCOTTISH DIV 1															
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St Johnstone	36	16	1	1	33	10	55	St Johnstone	36	16	1	1	33	10	55
Hearts	36	12	3	4	31	17	49	Hearts	36	12	3	4	31	17	49
Clydebank	36	8	6	4	30	24	47	Clydebank	36	8	6	4	30	24	47
Partick	36	9	6	3	31	22	47	Partick	36	9	6	3	31	22	47
Aberdeen	36	9	6	3	31	22	47	Aberdeen	36	9	6	3	31	22	47
Alloa	36	8	6	5	30	20	46	Alloa	36	8	6	5			